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0	ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION
3	IN THE MATTER OF:
4	NORTH SHORE GAS COMPANY)
5	Proposed general rate increase)No. 12-0511 for gas distribution services)
6	(Tariffs filed July 31, 2012)
7	THE PEOPLES GAS, LIGHT & COKE) COMPANY)
9	Proposed general rate increase)No. 12-0512 for gas distribution services) (Tariffs filed July 31, 2012))
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- JUDGE TEAGUE: Pursuant to the
- direction of the Illinois Commerce Commission, I
- now call Docket No. 12-0511 and 12-0512. North
- 4 Shore and Peoples Gas, Light & Coke Company.
- 5 These matters concern proposed general rate
- increases for gas distribution service.
- Will the parties please enter
- 8 their appearances for the record?
- 9 MR. FEELEY: Representing the staff
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- 4 600, Chicago, Illinois 60654.
- JUDGE TEAGUE: Okay. Those are all
- the appearances for today?
- MS. SCARSELLA: Yes.
- JUDGE TEAGUE: Let the record
- ⁹ reflect there are no more appearances for today.
- Before we go to the first witness, I'm going to
- turn to the motion to strike certain surrebuttal
- testimony of Peoples Gas, Light & Coke Company and
- North Shore Gas Company. We're going to deny this
- motion and let the testimony in, but of course
- testimony will be given the appropriate -- the
- weight we deem appropriate.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Just so the parties
- are aware, we do have -- we could possibly have a
- couple of questions for Mr. Hengtgen if it's not
- covered by the other parties just to let you know
- 21 that.
- JUDGE TEAGUE: Okay. Let's turn to

- the next witness. Do you have any questions?
- MR. FEELEY: Just with regard to
- your ruling, staff in its response had stated that
- 4 if the testimony came in that it would request
- opportunity to file surrebuttal testimony updating
- 6 schedules of witnesses that were impacted by that
- ⁷ testimony. Did your ruling address that?
- JUDGE TEAGUE: Sorry about that.
- 9 Actually, yes, we're going to grant leave for
- actually any party that would like to file
- surrebuttal testimony in response to the update.
- MR. FEELEY: All right. Thank you.
- MS. LUSSON: Your Honor's, when
- would that be due? Prior to the cross date that
- was selected or in the next few days?
- JUDGE TEAGUE: Let's do it by
- Monday. Monday the 11th.
- MS. LUSSON: Just to be clear then.
- 19 The company would not get an opportunity to then
- comment on anything we said, would they?
- MS. SCARSELLA: I would hope we'd
- have an opportunity to cross whoever files

- 1 testimony.
- JUDGE DOLAN: I was going to say
- we'll have leave to file. I guess if you do file,
- then we'll have, you know, the staff witnesses on
- Wednesday afternoon, but we'd also have to make
- ⁶ your witnesses available if they had cross.
- MS. LUSSON: I'm going to go out on
- ⁸ a limb and predict that we probably won't file
- 9 surrebuttal testimony on this because it's the
- companies burden of proof, but just in case we
- ¹¹ appreciate the opportunity.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Okay. No problem.
- JUDGE TEAGUE: Thank you. You can
- 14 proceed.
- MS. SCARSELLA: Peoples Gas and
- North Shore calls John Hengtgen.
- WHEREUPON:
- JOHN HENGTGEN
- called as a witness herein, having been first duly
- sworn, deposeth and saith as follows:

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- D I R E C T E X A M I N A T I O N
- BY MS. SCARSELLA
- Q. Mr. Hengtgen, can you state your
- ⁴ name for the record and spell your last name?
- 5 A. John Hengtgen, H-E-N-G-T-G-E-N.
- Q. Who is your employer and what is
- your business address?
- A. My employer is Stafflogix, Corp and
- 9 my business address is 130 East Randolph, Chicago,
- 10 Illinois.
- Q. And your position?
- 12 A. I'm a consultant.
- Q. Before you is a document that has
- been marked for identification purposes NS Exhibit
- 7.0 with Attachment 7.1 through 7.3 and is
- entitled The Direct Testimony of John Hengtgen.
- Was that document prepared by you or under your
- direction and control?
- A. Yes, it was.
- 20 (Document marked as NS Exhibit
- No. 7.0 for identification.)

- 1 BY MS. SCARSELLA:
- Q. Also before you marked for
- identification purposes is PGL Exhibit 7.0 with
- 4 Attachment 7.1 through 7.3, which is entitled The
- 5 Direct Testimony of John Hengtgen. Was this
- 6 document prepared by you or under your direction
- ⁷ and control?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 (Document marked as PGL Exhibit
- No. 7.0 for identification.)
- 11 BY MS. SCARSELLA:
- Q. Do you have any additions or
- corrections to your direct testimony?
- A. No, I do not.
- Q. Subject to two revisions made in
- later testimony, is the information contained in
- your direct testimony true and correct to the best
- of your knowledge?
- A. Yes.
- Q. If I were to ask you the same
- questions as set forth in your direct testimony,
- would your answers be the same today?

- A. Yes.
- Q. Also before you is what has been
- marked for identification purposes as NS PGL
- 4 Exhibit 19.0 with Attachments 19.1N, 19.3N, 19.1P,
- ⁵ 19.2P revised, 19.3P and 19.4P. This is entitled
- ⁶ The Supplemental Direct Testimony of John
- ⁷ Hengtgen. Was this document prepared by you or
- 8 under your direction and control?
- ⁹ A. Yes.
- 10 (Document marked as NS PGL
- Exhibit No. 19.0 for
- identification.)
- BY MS. SCARSELLA:
- Q. Do you have any additions or
- corrections to your supplemental direct testimony?
- ¹⁶ A. No.
- Q. Subject to any revisions made in
- later testimony, is the information contained in
- your supplemental direct testimony true and
- correct to the best of your knowledge?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. If I were to ask you the same

- questions today as set forth in your supplemental
- direct testimony, would your answers be the same?
- ³ A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Your rebuttal testimony -- I'm going
- to try to do this without showing everybody I can
- 6 count to 14. So let's give it a whirl. Also
- ⁷ before you marked for identification purposes is
- NS PGL 27.0 with Attachments 27.1N, through
- ⁹ 27.10N, 27.12N, 27.13N, 27.14N, 27.1P through
- 27.14P, which is entitled The Rebuttal Testimony
- of John Hengtgen. Was this document prepared by
- you or under your direction and control?
- A. Yes.
- 14 (Document marked as NS PGL
- Exhibit No. 27.0 for
- identification.)
- BY MS. SCARSELLA:
- Q. Do you have any additions or
- corrections to your rebuttal testimony?
- ²⁰ A. No.
- Q. Subject to any revisions made in
- your surrebuttal testimony, is the information

- contained in your rebuttal testimony true and
- ² correct to the best of your knowledge?
- ³ A. Yes.
- Q. If I were to ask you the same
- ⁵ questions as set forth in your rebuttal testimony,
- 6 would your answers be the same today?
- ⁷ A. Yes.
- 8 O. Finally before you marked for
- 9 identification purposes is NS PGL 43.0 with
- 10 Attachments 43.1N, 43.2N, 43.4N through 43.8N,
- 43.1P through 43.8P, which is entitled The
- Surrebuttal Testimony of John Hengtgen. Was this
- document prepared by you or under your direction
- 14 and control?
- ¹⁵ A. Yes.
- 16 (Document marked as NS PGL
- Exhibit No. 43.0 for
- identification.)
- 19 BY MS. SCARSELLA:
- Q. Do you have any additions or
- corrections to your surrebuttal testimony?
- ²² A. No.

- Q. Is the statements made in your
- surrebuttal testimony true and correct to the best
- of your knowledge?
- ⁴ A. Yes.
- 5 O. If I were to ask you the same
- questions today as set forth in your surrebuttal
- ⁷ testimony, would your answers be the same?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 MS. SCARSELLA: Your Honor's, at
- this time, I would like to move into the record NS
- Exhibit 7.0 with Attachments 7.1 through 7.3, PGL
- 7.0 with Attachments 7.1 through 7.3, NS PGL
- 13 Exhibit 19.0 with Attachments 19.1N, 19.3N, 19.1P,
- 19.2P revised, 19.3P and 19.4P, NS PGL Exhibit
- ¹⁵ 27.0 with Attachments 27.1 through 27.10N, 27.12N,
- ¹⁶ 27.13N, 27.14N, 27.1P through 27.14P, NS PGL
- 17 Exhibit 43.0 with Attachments 43.1N, 43.2N, 43.4N
- through 43.8N, 43.1P through 43.8P.
- JUDGE TEAGUE: Are there any
- objections?
- MS. LUSSON: Your Honor's, we would
- renew our objection with the understanding that

- 1 you've denied our motion, but we would renew our
- objection for the record to NS PGL Exhibit 46.0
- page 27 lines 870 through 871 as well as that
- 4 portion of Mr. Hengtgen's Exhibit 43.2 that
- ⁵ references the 2012 NOL amounts.
- JUDGE TEAGUE: Okay. The following
- ⁷ exhibits will be entered into the record. NS
- 8 Exhibit 7.0, 7.1 through 7.3, PGL Exhibit 7.0, 7.1
- 9 through 7.3, NS PGL Exhibit 19.0, 19.1N, 19.3N,
- 19.1P, 19.2P revised, 19.3P, 19.4P as well as NS
- 11 PGL 27.0 along with 27.1N through 27.9N and 27.10N
- ¹² through 27.14.
- JUDGE DOLAN: There is no 11.
- JUDGE TEAGUE: I'm sorry.
- Correction. I'll start again. NS PGL 27.0, 27.1N
- through 27.9N and then 27.10N through 27.14N.
- JUDGE DOLAN: There is no 11. You
- said 10 through 14.
- JUDGE TEAGUE: I'll start again.
- 27.10, 27.12N, 27.13N, 27.14N and 27.1P through
- 27.10P, 27.11P through 27.14P, NS PGL Exhibit
- 43.0, 43.1N through 43.8N, 43.1P through 43.8P.

- MS. SCARSELLA: Your Honor, if I
- could just note, there is no NS PGL Exhibit 43.3N.
- JUDGE TEAGUE: Thank you. That
- 4 correction is noted.
- MR. FEELEY: I can go first.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Staff is going first.
- ⁷ Okay.
- 8 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 9 BY MR. FEELEY
- Q. Mr. Hengtgen, my name is John Feeley
- and then my co-counsel Angelique Palmer has some
- questions for you.
- A. Good morning.
- Q. My questions are just dealing with
- your surrebuttal testimony at lines 572 through
- 580. Your Honor's, can I approach the witness?
- JUDGE DOLAN: Yes.
- BY MR. FEELEY:
- Q. Mr. Hengtgen, I've handed to you a
- document that I've marked for identification as
- ICC Staff Cross Exhibit No. 10.

- 1 (Document marked as Staff
- Exhibit No. 10 for
- identification.)
- 4 BY MR. FEELEY:
- ⁵ Q. It's Peoples Gas, Light & Coke
- 6 Company's response to staff data requests BAP
- ⁷ 26.01, do you have that in front of you?
- 8 A. Yes, I do.
- 9 Q. And my understanding is that you're
- the person responsible for the response to that
- 11 request, is that correct?
- 12 A. That's correct.
- MR. FEELEY: Your Honor's, at that
- time, staff would move to admit into evidence ICC
- Staff Cross Exhibit 10, PGL's response to BAP
- ¹⁶ 26.01.
- JUDGE TEAGUE: Are there any
- objections?
- MS. SCARSELLA: No objection.
- JUDGE TEAGUE: Then Staff's -- ICC
- 21 Staff Cross Exhibit 10 is admitted into evidence.

- 1 BY MR. FEELEY:
- Q. All right. Mr. Hengtgen, do you
- ³ agree that the deferred income tax assets should
- 4 be adjusted downward for both Peoples Gas and
- North Shore Gas for the federal income tax effect
- of the full amount of revenue increases ordered by
- 7 the Commission?
- A. Yes.
- 9 MR. FEELEY: That's all I have for
- you. Ms. Palmer has a few questions. Thank you.
- MS. PALMER: Good morning, your
- Honor's. May I approach?
- CROSS EXAMINATION
- 14 BY MS. PALMER
- Q. Mr. Hengtgen, I've handed you what
- has been marked for identification at ICC Cross
- Exhibit 11. It is the Peoples Light & Coke -- I'm
- sorry. Peoples Gas, Light & Coke Company's
- 19 Response to DR DLH 3.01. Did you prepare this
- document?
- A. Yes, I did.

- 1 (Document marked as ICC Exhibit
- No. 11 for identification.)
- 3 BY MS. PALMER:
- 4 O. It also includes Attachments 1 and
- ⁵ 2. Can you verify that you have that in hand?
- A. Yes, it looks complete.
- ⁷ Q. Are the responses in this document
- 8 true and accurate to the best of your knowledge?
- ⁹ A. Yes, they are.
- 10 Q. If you were asked the same questions
- today, would your responses be the same?
- 12 A. Yes, they would. There's really not
- much in the way of questions here. There's
- just pretty much exhibits, but I think the
- exhibits are -- the attachments are accurate.
- MS. PALMER: Your Honor's, I now
- move for admission of ICC Staff Cross Exhibit 11,
- which includes the Peoples Gas, Light & Coke
- Company's response to DLH 3.01 and Attachments 1
- and 2 into evidence.
- JUDGE TEAGUE: Are there any
- objections?

- MS. SCARSELLA: No objection.
- JUDGE TEAGUE: Okay. Then ICC Staff
- 3 Cross Exhibit 11 is admitted into evidence.
- 4 MS. LUSSON: May I proceed?
- JUDGE TEAGUE: Yes.
- 6 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 7 BY MS. LUSSON
- Q. Good morning, Mr. Hengtgen.
- 9 A. Good morning, Ms. Lusson. How are
- ¹⁰ you?
- Q. Good. I'd like to turn your
- 12 attention to your surrebuttal testimony page five.
- Looking at pages five through nine you respond to
- 14 staff and intervener proposals -- or rejection of
- the companies proposal to incorporate a year-end
- rate base for purposes of computing the revenue
- requirement in this case, is that right?
- A. You say five through nine?
- Q. Yes. Actually, it goes through
- 20 almost 11.
- A. Yes.
- Q. You would agree, wouldn't you, no

- other party in this docket has agreed with Peoples
- Gas and North Shore Gas that year-end rate base is
- appropriate for purposes of setting rates in this
- 4 docket?
- 5 A. That's correct.
- Q. Now, turning to page ten of your
- ⁷ surrebuttal line 217, there you indicate that the
- 8 utilities are included what you call an attempt at
- 9 compromise, an alternative in their surrebuttal
- exhibits which calculates September 30th, 2013,
- rate base amount for the Commission to consider,
- do you see that?
- 13 A. Yes, I see the Q and A that you're
- 14 referring to.
- Q. And is it correct that this is the
- first time the companies referenced a September
- proposal and that up to this point surrebuttal
- testimony of the company was proposing a year-end
- ¹⁹ rate base?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. And would you agree that the new
- 22 alternative proposal introduces an entirely new

- set of rate base numbers that these utilities have
- not previously filed in these documents?
- A. It's a new average type calculation
- based upon the same rate base numbers at 12-3112
- 5 and 12-3113. It's a new calculation. The
- 6 underlying numbers have not changed.
- 7 Q. And the new calculation -- and I'll
- 8 represent the new plant additions; accumulated
- 9 depreciation, deferred income taxes and all other
- elements of your new alternative rate base through
- September 30, is that right?
- 12 A. It calculates pretty much what I
- said. It's approximates a September 30th, 2013,
- average compared to what the interveners are
- proposing, which is a simple average of the
- calendar year, which is a June 30th average.
- Q. When you say it approximates a
- September 30th rate base number, why do you use
- the word approximate as opposed to calculates? Is
- there some -- because of the forecasted nature of
- it or why approximately?
- A. No. It's just the nature of

- averaging so to speak. I mean, the average rate
- base which approximates a June 30th is just a
- simple average calculation. It's 50 percent of
- 4 the change from the beginning of the year to the
- ⁵ end of the year. This calculation is nothing more
- than 75 percent of the change from the beginning
- of the year to the end of the year.
- 8 Q. So for purposes of approximating,
- you're incorporating those forecasted numbers
- through September 30th?
- 11 A. I don't quite view it that way, but
- it's just a calculation of a different sort of
- average for a particular time period.
- Q. I want to show you what I've marked
- as AG Cross Exhibit 16.
- 16 (Document marked as AG Exhibit
- No. 16 for identification.)
- BY MS. LUSSON:
- Q. Mr. Hengtgen, do you recognize AG
- 20 Cross Exhibit 16 to be the companies response to
- 21 AG data request 22.10?
- A. Yes.

- Q. And was this response prepared by
- you or under your supervision?
- A. Yes, it was.
- 4 Q. And this response asks a series of
- ⁵ questions about that September 30th alternative
- for rate base calculation, is that right?
- A. Yes. That's what it appears to be,
- 8 yes.
- 9 Q. Mr. Hengtgen, I now want to turn to
- the issue of the companies agreement with the City
- of Chicago and the issue of pass-through taxes and
- how it affects the cash working capital
- calculation. If you could turn to page 19 of your
- surrebuttal testimony, line 430.
- A. I'm there.
- Q. All right.
- ¹⁷ A. You said 430?
- ¹⁸ Q. Yes.
- 19 A. Okay.
- Q. You state that "The utilities pay
- the taxes based on estimated collection
- percentages based on an agreed upon formula

- pursuant to the agreement with the city," do you
- ² see that?
- ³ A. Yes.
- ⁴ Q. And you indicate that the lead lag
- 5 study uses those estimated collection percentages
- in order to calculate the lead values, is that
- ⁷ correct?
- ⁸ A. That is correct.
- 9 Q. Is it also correct that you
- calculated lead values for the remittance of
- pass-through taxes based upon the, quote, agreed
- upon, end quote -- agreed upon formula, end quote,
- that is referenced?
- 14 A. Could you just repeat that? You put
- 15 a word in there --
- Q. Is it correct that you've calculated
- lead values for the remittance of pass-through
- taxes based upon the agreed upon formula that the
- utilities have with the city?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. Now, would you agree that AG witness
- Brosch has adopted the same payment lead days for

- pass-through taxes that you calculated again based
- ² upon that agreed upon formula with the city?
- A. That is correct.
- Q. Turning to line 438 on the next
- page, you indicate that "In other words, the
- 6 utilities lead calculation in effect includes a
- 7 lag period, " do you see that?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Do you mean to imply by this that
- your calculated payment lead day values in
- accordance with the agreement with the city
- somehow requires or mandates that the Commission
- assign a revenue lag to pass-through taxes?
- 14 A. No, I'm not making that assertion at
- ¹⁵ all.
- Q. Does the agreement with the city do
- anything other than define how and when the
- utilities are to remit pass-through taxes to the
- ¹⁹ city?
- A. That's not necessarily exactly what
- the agreement indicates.
- Q. How would you -- what is incorrect

- about that statement? What else does this --
- A. The agreement with the City of
- ³ Chicago is an agreement that provides a formula to
- determine the amount of collections, estimated
- ⁵ collections. Over a period of time, those
- 6 estimated collections then are used to make the
- ⁷ proper required payments to the city.
- Q. In your exhibit -- if you could turn
- ⁹ to that agreement, Exhibit 7.3.
- 10 A. I think it's attached to both, but
- it's the same agreement. I'm there.
- Q. Does Section 1 of that agreement
- address payment of occupation tax?
- A. Yes, it does.
- 0. And then Section 2 addresses
- collection and remittance of use tax?
- A. Yes, it does.
- Q. Section 3 lump sum adjustments to
- bad debt reserves?
- ²⁰ A. Yes.
- Q. Section 4 provides for a transition
- 22 period?

- ¹ A. Yes.
- Q. And then if you can turn to page
- eight where the monthly taxes billed to customers
- 4 are translated into the calculated monthly tax
- ⁵ liability. In this case, this is for an
- 6 illustrative August tax liability period, is that
- ⁷ right?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Now, is it your testimony that this
- agreement with the city obligates the Commission
- to assign a revenue collection lag to the cash
- that is collected and used by the utility to pay
- taxes to the city?
- A. Could you repeat that?
- Q. Is it your testimony that this
- agreement with the city obligates the Commission
- to assign a revenue collection lag to the cash
- that is collected and used by the utility to pay
- taxes to the city?
- A. No, I don't agree with that.
- Q. So the revenue lag is something you
- imputed in your cash working capital lead lag

- study, is that right?
- A. That is correct.
- Q. Now, turning to page 20, line 454.
- 4 A. Which testimony?
- ⁵ Q. I'm sorry. All my questions will be
- 6 dealing with this surrebuttal testimony.
- ⁷ A. This was attached to my direct.
- 8 O. Except for that.
- 9 MS. SCARSELLA: I'm sorry. What
- 10 lines again?
- MS. LUSSON: 454.
- BY MS. LUSSON:
- Q. There you state "The most important
- incorrect statement made by Mr. Brosch is on page
- 59" and then you identify the lines where he
- states "This fact causes Peoples Gas to experience
- longer lead days for pass-through taxes than other
- 18 Illinois utilities which allows the company to
- hold the cash for these pass-through taxes longer
- than would appear to be possible under the
- 21 applicable statutory payment due dates for such
- tax taxes." Is that your testimony?

- ¹ A. That is.
- Q. Now, the utilities do not hold these
- amounts for longer than the statutory -- okay. So
- in your view that statement is not accurate, is
- 5 that your testimony?
- A. That is correct.
- ⁷ Q. Now, do you by chance have with you
- 8 Mr. Brosch's rebuttal testimony?
- 9 A. I have some of it. I believe I
- probably have the section that you're referencing.
- 11 Q. Do you have by chance page 58 of
- that testimony?
- MS. SCARSELLA: I have a copy. I
- can hand it to him, your Honor's.
- 15 BY THE WITNESS:
- 16 A. I do have page 58.
- 17 BY MS. LUSSON:
- Q. If you look at lines 1286 through
- 19 1298, do you see that? Take a moment to look at
- that.
- ²¹ A. Through 1298?
- 22 Q. Yes.

- A. Yes, I see that.
- Q. Where you were quoting from the
- testimony that we just -- that I just referenced
- on page 20, line 454 where you were quoting from
- 5 Mr. Brosch's testimony is actually talking about
- 6 your calculation of payment lead days for
- pass-through taxes in accordance with the
- 8 agreement, isn't that your testimony?
- ⁹ A. I believe that's correct.
- Q. Would you agree that the other
- 11 Illinois utilities that Mr. Brosch was referencing
- do not have the same form of agreement with the
- city that let's them pay a weighted percentage of
- 14 pass-through taxes collected in the prior four
- months?
- A. I believe that's correct.
- Q. Do you know if the Peoples Gas
- agreement with the city also applies to ComEd tax
- remittances, if you know?
- A. I'm sorry. To who?
- Q. To ComEd's tax remittances, if you
- 22 know?

- 1 A. Does Peoples Gas's agreement apply
- ² to ComEd?
- Q. Yes.
- ⁴ A. No.
- 5 Q. Okay. And at line 22, page 482 --
- A. I'm sorry. Give me that reference
- ⁷ again.
- 8 Q. Sure. Page 22 line 482.
- 9 A. Of my surrebuttal?
- Q. Correct.
- 11 A. Okay. I'm there.
- Q. You state "Mr. Brosch has offered in
- his testimony the incorrect and unsupported
- 14 premise that somehow the utilities are allowed to
- experience longer lead days than other Illinois
- utilities, which allows them to hold the cash for
- pass-through taxes longer than would appear
- possible under the applicable statutory payment
- due dates." Do you see that?
- ²⁰ A. I do.
- Q. What is your understanding of the
- phrase "would appear" in that sentence?

- 1 A. That's what he thinks my calculation
- ² presents.
- Q. I'm sorry. Can you repeat that?
- A. I'm saying Mr. Brosch has provided
- testimony that he says which allows them to hold
- the cash for longer than would appear possible and
- ⁷ that's just not a true statement.
- Q. Okay. And it's your testimony that
- 9 you've accurately calculated the payment lead days
- associated with pass-through taxes that are
- payable to the City of Chicago in accordance and
- based upon the agreement that is set forth in your
- 13 Exhibit 7.3?
- 14 A. Yes, lead days are calculated in
- accordance with the agreement.
- Q. And you'd agree, wouldn't you, that
- Mr. Brosch adopted the same payment lead day value
- you've calculated for pass-through taxes?
- 19 A. That's correct.
- Q. I want to show you what I'll mark as
- 21 AG Cross Exhibit 17.

- 1 (Document marked as AG Exhibit
- No. 17 for identification.)
- 3 BY MS. LUSSON:
- Q. Do you recognize AG Cross Exhibit 17
- to be the companies response to AG data request
- 6 22.11?
- ⁷ A. Yes, I do.
- 8 O. And was this response prepared by
- ⁹ you or under your supervision?
- A. Yes, it was.
- 11 Q. Now, in Part C, you were asked of
- the data request response -- you were asked if the
- payment terms for pass-through taxes that exist
- 14 with the city will change if the Commission finds
- that no revenue lag value other than zero should
- be afforded pass-through tax collection, do you
- see that?
- ¹⁸ A. Yes, I do.
- Q. And you replied after the objection
- that there would be no change to the agreement
- with the city and no change to payment due dates
- in this situation?

- 1 A. That's correct.
- Q. And that is still correct?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. Now, I'd like to ask you a few
- ⁵ questions about the change with respect to
- 6 pass-through taxes that you proposed in your
- ⁷ surrebuttal that you identify as an alternative.
- 8 If we can turn to page 23 of your testimony. At
- 9 line 520, you state "However, in an effort to
- resolve this contested issue and, again, we're
- talking about the calculation of pass-through
- taxes within the context of cash working capital
- for purposes of the current cases and without
- waiving any rights as to future cases the
- utilities are willing to revise their cash working
- calculations -- cash working capital calculations
- and reflect a zero lag for all pass-through taxes
- except the ICC gas revenue tax" and you indicate
- that this would require adjusting the lead values
- for the taxes as well, do you see that?
- A. Yes.
- Q. At line 527, you indicate that

- you've eliminated the lag days proposed by the
- utilities and then you've also adjusted the lead
- days by eliminating that same value, do you see?
- 4 A. That's correct.
- ⁵ Q. So just to understand the
- 6 alternative you're offering, if you can turn to
- your Exhibit 43.7P.
- A. I have it.
- 9 Q. Now, first, 43.7 represents your
- primary approach filed in direct testimony where
- pass-through taxes are assigned a full 49.59 day
- revenue lag on line two at then payments lead
- based on -- based upon due dates such as the 73.79
- 14 day lead for gross receipts municipal utility tax
- down on line 24, is that right?
- 16 A. That's correct. And then the three
- additional lines after that.
- Q. So the net lead days for this tax is
- 73.79 days to pay as I understand it minus 49.59
- days to collect revenues for a net lead of 24.2
- days and that's again on your direct?
- A. I believe that's correct. 24.2

- days, correct.
- Q. Now, let's look at your alternative,
- which is 43.8P, correct?
- ⁴ A. Correct. I'm there.
- ⁵ Q. If we look at line two, you're not
- offering to apply a zero lag date gross receipts
- ⁷ municipal utility tax, is that right?
- ⁸ A. That's right.
- 9 Q. And a revised expense payment lead
- day value of 24.2 days for a net lead of 24.2
- days, is that right?
- 12 A. That is correct.
- Q. So the alternative -- the proposal
- that you've identified as an alternative or
- compromise creates the same outcome as what you
- proposed in direct testimony for this cash working
- capital item, doesn't it?
- 18 A. The net result is the same. That is
- correct, but it is showing a zero revenue lag like
- the parties were suggesting.
- Q. So would you agree in terms of the
- dollar value associated with this alternative, or

- what you call a compromised calculation, it really
- isn't a compromise in the true sense of the word
- with respect to the dollar impact?
- ⁴ A. Not with respect to the dollar
- 5 impact. It's the same.
- ⁶ Q. So it's a different way of packaging
- ⁷ the cash working capital calculation you proposed
- 8 in direct testimony?
- ⁹ A. I kind of explained this in my
- testimony, but if you want to use the term
- packaging, I can go along with that. It's a
- different presentation. The economics of it are
- the same.
- Q. Okay. Do you recall answering AG
- data request 16.21 on the topic of pass-through
- taxes? I have a copy of that. It's actually
- 17 attached to Mr. Brosch's rebuttal testimony as his
- Exhibit 4.10. I'll give you a copy of that if
- that will help.
- A. I may have it here. If you have
- that handy, that will be great.
- MS. LUSSON: Your Honor's, it's

- already in the record so do you want me to mark
- this for identification?
- 3 BY MS. LUSSON:
- Q. When you were asked in AG 16.21 if
- you were to assume that the listed pass-through
- taxes were due and payable as a liability to the
- ⁷ utility only upon collection of revenues such that
- 8 no revenue lag is applicable, what modification to
- ⁹ the utilities lead day values would be required,
- is it correct you responded "Mr. Hengtgen cannot
- 11 assume that no revenue lag is applicable and that
- you also stated "Therefore, no modification to the
- utilities lead day values can be calculated and is
- not required"?
- A. That's true. This was responded to
- prior to my surrebuttal testimony.
- Q. Which lead day value for remittance
- of gross receipts municipal utility tax most
- accurately reflects the terms of the agreement
- with the city, the 73.79 day value calculated in
- your -- that appears in your 43.7P on line 24 or
- the 24.2 day value appearing on 43.8P?

- 1 A. The original lead calculations that
- I made reflect the agreement with the City of
- ³ Chicago and they also include a revenue lag that
- is required due to the way the calculations are
- 5 made. So that lead calculation that I originally
- ⁶ proposed I believe is the most accurate.
- 7 Q. I want to show you what I'll mark as
- 8 AG Cross Exhibit 18.
- 9 (Document marked as AG Exhibit
- No. 18 for identification.)
- BY MS. LUSSON:
- Q. Mr. Hengtgen, do you recognize this
- to be a copy of the companies response to AG data
- ¹⁴ request 22.12?
- ¹⁵ A. Yes.
- Q. And was this prepared by you or
- under your supervision?
- A. Yes, it was.
- Q. And this document represents your
- response to AG questions raised regarding your
- pass-through tax lead day revisions that we were
- just discussing?

- 1 A. That's correct.
- Q. Are the answers still the same today
- ³ as provided herein?
- ⁴ A. Yes.
- MS. LUSSON: Thank you,
- 6 Mr. Hengtgen. I have no further cross and I would
- move for the admission of AG Cross Exhibit's 16,
- 8 17 and 18.
- JUDGE TEAGUE: Are there any
- objections?
- MS. SCARSELLA: No objection.
- JUDGE TEAGUE: Then AG Cross 16, 17
- and 18 are admitted.
- MR. O'BRIEN: I'm sorry, your Honor.
- 15 Ms Lusson indicated there was no further cross.
- Ms. Lusson has no further cross, but the people
- still have a couple of questions. We're just
- splitting the cross.
- JUDGE TEAGUE: Okay.
- MR. O'BRIEN: Sorry for any
- confusion.

- 1 CROSS EXAMINATION
- BY MR. O'BRIEN
- Q. Good morning, Mr. Hengtgen.
- ⁴ A. Good morning.
- ⁵ Q. My name is Tim O'Brien and like
- 6 Ms. Lusson I am with the Attorney General's
- ⁷ Office. I just want to ask you a couple of
- guestions related to CWIP and when I say CWIP you
- 9 understand that to mean construction work in
- process, correct?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. I want to direct you to your
- surrebuttal testimony at page 13.
- 14 A. I'm there.
- Q. Now, specifically at lines 299
- through 301 you testified that Mr. Effron did not
- respond to your rebuttal testimony that
- historically Peoples Gas has been allowed CWIP and
- rate base and that the Commission has authority to
- include CWIP and rate base, correct?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. Let's deal with that -- the first

- half of that statement first. And I know you
- indicated before you have a copy of Mr. Brosch's
- testimony. I don't know if you have a copy of
- 4 Mr. Effron's with you.
- ⁵ A. I probably do.
- Q. Just for your reference, I have a
- 7 copy of the relevant pages and this is solely for
- 8 reference. If you look at page 13 of Mr. Effron's
- 9 testimony --
- 10 A. Okay.
- Q. -- specifically the lines between
- 280 and 287, isn't it true that Mr. Effron
- recommend that \$4.6 million of CWIP roughly be
- included in the company's rate base?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. In fact, Mr. Effron testified that
- the \$4.6 million figure does not seem
- unreasonable, correct?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. And that the estimated average
- amount of CWIP in excess of that \$4.6 million
- should be eliminated from rate base, correct?

- 1 A. That's correct.
- Q. Now, in your testimony, you have not
- provided any evidence that Mr. Effron's
- 4 recommendation is inconsistent with Commission
- ⁵ practice, have you?
- A. He is making a proposal to disallow
- 7 CWIP and historically Peoples Gas has been granted
- 8 all of its CWIP and rate base. So that is -- his
- 9 proposal is inconsistent with prior Peoples Gas
- ¹⁰ rate orders.
- 11 Q. But not necessarily inconsistent
- with Commission's practice in general, if you
- 13 know?
- 14 A. I don't really know exactly the
- 15 Commission practice with respect to CWIP.
- 16 Q. That's fair enough. Now, I'd like
- to shift to the second half of that statement we
- read before where you testified that Mr. Effron
- had not responded to your rebuttal testimony that
- the Commission has authority to include CWIP and
- rate base.
- A. I'm there.

- Q. If you know, doesn't the Commission
- also have the authority to exclude CWIP from rate
- 3 base?
- ⁴ A. I believe they probably do.
- ⁵ Q. Mr. Hengtgen, you are not an
- 6 attorney, correct?
- 7 A. That's correct.
- 8 Q. And, in fact, I believe you
- ⁹ testified to that in your rebuttal testimony?
- 10 A. It's very possible.
- 11 Q. In fact, you're an accountant much
- like Mr. Effron, correct?
- 13 A. That is correct.
- Q. Now, I'd like to draw your attention
- back to Mr. Effron's testimony at page 11,
- specifically lines 234 through 237.
- A. I'm there.
- Q. Would you generally agree that these
- lines of testimony Mr. Effron is discussing
- generally the Commission's authority to include or
- exclude CWIP from rate base?
- A. Generally, yes.

- Q. And, in fact, I would somewhat
- reluctantly agree with the statement that
- Mr. Effron may not have directly responded to your
- 4 testimony that the Commission has authority to
- include CWIP and rate base. However, do you think
- it's possible that Mr. Effron may not have
- ⁷ directly responded to that section of your
- 8 testimony because he is a technical witness and,
- ⁹ therefore, doesn't believe it is his role to tell
- the Commission what its authority is or may not
- ¹¹ be?
- MS. SCARSELLA: Objection, your
- Honor. He didn't testify for Mr. Effron. He
- didn't know what Mr. Effron was thinking at the
- time he prepared his testimony. It would call for
- speculation.
- JUDGE TEAGUE: Can you rephrase
- 18 that?
- MR. O'BRIEN: I'll rephrase it.
- BY MR. O'BRIEN:
- Q. Mr. Hengtgen, as you read
- Mr. Effron's testimony, is it possible as you read

- it in your opinion that Mr. Effron was giving a
- perspective as an accountant and not as a lawyer
- as to what the Commission's authority may or may
- 4 not have been?
- MS. SCARSELLA: I object again. I
- 6 mean, he can't speak as to what Mr. Effron
- intended or -- you know, that requires speculation
- ⁸ on behalf of Mr. Hengtgen.
- 9 MR. O'BRIEN: However, if I may just
- respond, your Honor. Mr. Hengtgen did respond to
- Mr. Effron's testimony in his testimony
- 12 characterizing these segments.
- MS. SCARSELLA: He can certainly ask
- 14 what Mr. Hengtgen was responding to in
- Mr. Effron's testimony, but as to speculating what
- Mr. Effron intended to cover, he can't speak to
- 17 that.
- JUDGE TEAGUE: The objection is
- 19 sustained.
- MR. O'BRIEN: We have no further
- questions for Mr. Hengtgen. Thank you.
- JUDGE TEAGUE: Thank you.

- MR. REDDICK: Your Honor, while
- we're reconfiguring here, I have two cross
- ³ exhibits that I discussed with Ms. Scarsella and I
- will distribute those now if that's okay.
- JUDGE TEAGUE: That's fine.
- MR. REDDICK: Your Honor, as I
- believe I have Ms. Scarsella's agreement to
- introduce these so I will not be doing cross
- 9 examination on them, but I will move their
- admission into evidence.
- MS. SCARSELLA: We have no
- objection.
- 13 (Documents marked as City
- Exhibit No.'s 1-2 for
- identification.)
- JUDGE TEAGUE: Then City Cross
- Exhibit's 1 and 2 are admitted.
- 18 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 19 BY MR. REDDICK
- Q. Good morning, Mr. Hengtgen.
- A. Good morning.
- Q. My name is Conrad Reddick and I am

- 1 representing the City of Chicago. I'd like to
- direct your attention first to your rebuttal
- testimony Exhibit 27.0, page eight.
- ⁴ A. Okay.
- ⁵ Q. At line 168, you say "Initially, it
- 6 appears that an average rate base might be a
- better match from a cost perspective if you assume
- 8 the rates in effect during the year fully capture
- ⁹ the cost during the year than a year-end rate base
- 10 situation."
- I'd like to ask you a few
- questions about that passage to clarify what
- you're saying there and I'd like to take it one
- point at a time if that's okay?
- A. Sure.
- Q. Will an average rate base more
- accurately reflect the capital cost that Peoples
- Gas incurs during the test year?
- A. An average rate base would be
- 20 appropriate to capture the cost during the test
- year if the rates were in effect for the full test
- year.

- Q. One piece at a time.
- ² A. Okay.
- Q. Let's not talk about rates. Let's
- 4 talk about costs.
- ⁵ A. Okay.
- Q. Does the average rate base more
- ⁷ accurately reflect the capital cost Peoples Gas
- ⁸ actually incurs during the test year?
- 9 A. During the entire course of the
- year, I'd say that's true.
- 11 Q. And to talk a little further about
- the average, the average is not rate base as of a
- specific date, but it's shorthand for the
- mathematical result of averaging the beginning of
- the year and end of year amounts to approximate
- 16 the gradual addition of investment over the 12
- months, is that correct?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. And using the reverse of that
- averaging process if we start with the date and
- use the reverse of the averaging process, we would
- see that the December 31, 2013, rate base amount

- that you propose would be an approximation of the
- ² gradual addition of investment to rate base over a
- period that extended beyond December 31, 2013?
- A. I'd like you to ask that again just
- 5 to make sure.
- Q. If we looked at the period from July
- ⁷ 1, 2013, to June 30th, 2014, would -- the result
- of that averaging would be rate base as of
- 9 December 31st, 2013?
- 10 A. Yes, I believe that's correct, but
- let me just add to that. The simple average of
- amounts at July 1st of 2013 through June 30th of
- 2014, if you take a simple average of that it
- would be December 31st, 2013. That's correct.
- Q. And that's the process that you used
- when you were talking about the average date in
- the proposals of the intervening parties?
- 18 A. That's the process, but the time
- period I was talking about was different.
- Q. Yes. So going back to the practice
- that we're exploring your complaint then is that
- rates set using an average test year rate base may

- 1 not match the cost that Peoples incurs during the
- post-test year period when the rates are in
- ³ effect?
- ⁴ A. What I'm saying is that since the
- 5 rates are not going into effect at the beginning
- of the test year, they are not matching or
- ⁷ recovering all the costs for that year.
- 8 O. For the test year?
- ⁹ A. For the test year 2013.
- MR. REDDICK: Could I have that
- entire answer read back please, your Honor?
- 12 (Whereupon, the record was read
- as requested.)
- 14 BY MR. REDDICK:
- Q. My question was for the test year
- and I believe your answer was yes?
- 17 A. They are not recovering all the
- costs for the test year. I've lost track of the
- question, but if that was the question, then the
- answer is yes.
- Q. And when you say all of the costs
- for the test year, exactly what is it that you

- 1 mean by that?
- A. If the rates are not going into
- ³ effect on January 1st, there is --
- Q. I don't mean to interrupt, but right
- 5 now I want to focus on costs.
- 6 A. Okay. Can you repeat the question
- ⁷ then?
- Q. Okay. As I understand this passage
- 9 of your testimony, your complaint is that the
- rates set don't match the costs incurred during
- the post-test year period when rates are in
- effect?
- A. But I say it's not -- we're still on
- line 168 through 170, correct?
- ¹⁵ Q. Yes.
- A. I'm saying it might be a better
- match if you assume the rates are in effect during
- the year fully captured the cost during the year,
- but the rates in this proceeding are scheduled to
- go into effect around July 1st.
- Q. Can we agree that the costs are what
- the costs are?

- 1 A. The costs are what the costs are for
- the test year.
- Q. And whether we set good rates, bad
- 4 rates or no rates, the costs are what the costs
- ⁵ are?
- A. I will agree to that.
- ⁷ Q. Okay. So the costs during the test
- year are not affected by the outcome of this rate
- 9 case?
- 10 A. I'm not sure that's -- you would
- think that's correct, but it's possible that the
- company could make changes based upon the outcome
- of the rate case, but the numbers that we have in
- 14 the rate case are not impacted by the outcome of
- 15 this case.
- Q. Okay. So we have an accurate
- statement. If the company spent the amounts
- projected in this rate case, those costs would not
- be affected by the rates set in this rate case?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. So, again, I ask you whether the
- essence of your criticism of the average rate --

- 1 I'm sorry -- the average rate base is that that
- amount in the revenue requirement does not match
- an amount for a period that extends beyond the end
- ⁴ of 2013?
- 5 A. Yes, I'm saying if the rates aren't
- in effect past December 2013, then the average
- 7 rate base isn't the best match for that time
- period. I suggest that a December 31st year-end
- ⁹ rate base was a better match.
- 10 Q. Now, the compromise that you
- proposed in your surrebuttal testimony, which I
- believe you discussed with Ms. Lusson also does
- not match the expected period the rates will be in
- effect, is that correct?
- A. Yes, I think my testimony indicated
- 16 that the alternate or the compromise in effect was
- kind of like an average between July 1st when the
- rates are going to go into effect and December
- 19 31st year-end which the company originally
- proposed.
- Q. So if we return to the language of
- our first topic of discussion that would actually

- reflect the gradual addition of investment from
- mid year to the end of the year --
- A. It would, but it would also reflect
- 4 the gradual increase from the beginning of the
- year to September 30th.
- Q. This would be a lot easier with
- ⁷ algebra instead of words. It reflects activity
- from the beginning of the year only because that
- 9 activity is reflected in the beginning amount at
- mid year with which you average the end of the
- 11 year amount?
- 12 A. Yeah. My calculation actually does
- not use a mid year. It starts with the -- the
- 14 only rate base numbers we have in front of us are
- year end December 2012 and year end December 2013
- and I hope you bear with me just explaining this.
- The average rate base being
- proposed by the parties other than the utilities
- is just a simple average and that, in effect,
- would approximate a June 30th date. This
- 21 alternate proposal is a calculation not of that
- simple average which is the beginning of the year,

- end of year divided by two or, in effect, 50
- percent of the change because some of the items
- did go down I believe. It's 50 percent of the
- 4 change from January 2013 or December 2012 through
- 5 the end of the year. This alternate is nothing
- 6 more than 75 percent of the change from the
- beginning of the year to the end of the year,
- which would approximate a September 30th average.
- ⁹ Q. The simple average, that is an
- average at the beginning of the year, end of the
- year, reflects the gradual addition of plant
- throughout the year if one assumes a uniformed
- rate of addition, is that correct?
- 14 A. That is correct.
- Q. And your alternative would reflect
- something other than a uniformed rate of addition
- of plant to rate base?
- A. No, I don't believe that's correct.
- 19 The assumption is still uniform. It's just taking
- the rate of change and pushing that out three more
- 21 months. The assumption is still that everything I
- think would be ratable during the year.

- Q. So what is it that goes through more
- 2 months?
- A. I'm not sure how to respond. What
- is what that goes through more months?
- ⁵ Q. I'm trying to repeat back what you
- said. Did I get it wrong?
- 7 A. It's an approximate calculation of a
- 8 rate base that would be reflective of September
- 9 30th, 2013, based upon if the changes whether up
- or down between the beginning of the year and the
- end of the year instead of being reflective of
- June 30th are reflective of September 30th.
- Q. So your objective was to calculate
- 14 the amount of rate base that would exist September
- 30th, 2013, rather than to capture capital costs
- over a specific period of time, is that the
- calculation you just described?
- A. I think it's -- in my opinion, it's
- 19 almost one in the same. I captured costs assuming
- that the investment in rate base is ratable during
- the year. Instead of capturing the costs through
- June 30th and saying that that's an average rate

- base between the beginning and the end, this
- ² calculation captures those six months of ratable
- additions along with an additional three months of
- 4 ratable additions and presents it December 30th.
- MR. REDDICK: Sorry to burden us.
- 6 Could I have -- I was with you until the end.
- 7 Could I hear that answer again?
- 8 (Whereupon, the record was read
- 9 as requested.)
- 10 BY MR. REDDICK:
- Q. What is the logic for doing that?
- 12 A. I think I explained this in my
- testimony that the rates are going into effect
- 14 approximately July 1st. I don't think anybody has
- disputed that and the interveners -- the staff and
- the intervener's proposal is that we use an
- average rate base for the year which you just kind
- of discussed. In effect, the calculation is a
- June 30th rate base and since the rates are going
- into effect July 1st, the company is proposing a
- year-end, I'm making a compromised proposal that
- the rate base used to set the rates in this

- proceeding would be based upon that September 30th
- ² calculation.
- I still believe and I think the
- 4 testimony and the facts support a year-end, but
- 5 I'm just offering this alternate calculation for
- 6 the Commission to consider.
- ⁷ Q. Okay. So you didn't present -- let
- 8 me ask a separate question. Other than this is a
- 9 compromise, you didn't present logic to support
- the three quarter year instead of the simple
- 11 average?
- 12 A. I didn't really present anything
- more than what I just described in the calculation
- in my exhibits.
- Q. And there is nothing in your
- testimony in the way of when plant is added to
- rate base during the course of 2013 that would
- indicate anything other than a uniform addition
- over the 12 months?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. And in the compromise that you're
- proposing you would change the rate base, but the

- noncapital costs would not be changed?
- A. No, the test year noncapital
- 3 costs -- I assume you're referring to operating
- 4 expenses?
- ⁵ O. Whatever else is left.
- A. No, those -- I'm not suggesting that
- ⁷ there is any changes to those.
- 8 O. And I want to be clear that in your
- 9 earlier answer when you referred to effectively a
- June date or effectively a September date you're
- talking in shorthand for the result of the
- averaging process?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. We're not aiming at the rate base as
- of a particular date, but rather the cost
- through -- over a certain period of time?
- A. And the simple averaging outcome
- occurs with that.
- 19 Q. Thank you. Changing topics
- slightly. Does Peoples Gas believe that the 2013
- calendar year test year that they selected is not
- representative of the period the rates will be in

- 1 effect?
- A. The rates will be in effect for only
- 3 half of that year. So if that's
- 4 nonrepresentative, I guess the answer is yes.
- Do you believe that it is -- give me
- 6 a moment. I believe your testimony qualifies that
- ⁷ answer a little bit. Would you -- would it be
- 8 accurate to say that your position is that the
- ⁹ 2013 calendar year is a representative test year
- if you use an end of year rate base?
- MS. SCARSELLA: Mr. Reddick, is
- there a passage in his testimony that you're
- referring to?
- MR. REDDICK: No.
- MS. SCARSELLA: You just said his
- testimony qualified that. Are you referring to
- his written testimony or what he just spoke to?
- MR. REDDICK: Everything he has
- 19 filed proposes an end of year rate base except for
- the compromise.
- MS. SCARSELLA: I'm sorry. Can you
- state your question again because I think you

- started by saying you qualified your answer by
- testimony and I was confused as to what you were
- 3 referring to.
- 4 BY MR. REDDICK:
- ⁵ Q. Well, let's start over from the
- 6 beginning. Is the 2013 calendar year test year,
- ⁷ the PGL selected in your opinion, not
- 8 representative of the period rates will be in
- 9 effect?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Yes, it is not representative?
- 12 A. Yes, as I've stated in my
- 13 testimony --
- Q. I just wanted to get the negatives
- straight. You were agreeing that it is not
- representative?
- 17 A. I believe that's correct.
- Q. What should the Commission use to
- set rates in this case, what test period?
- A. I'm testifying to rate base and I'm
- suggesting that a year-end rate base should be
- used for -- to set rates in this proceeding.

- Q. So your testimony on rate base is
- somewhat divorced from the question of a
- ³ representatives test year?
- 4 MS. SCARSELLA: I'll object at this
- ⁵ point. Mr. Hengtgen did not describe -- did not
- 6 testify concerning the selection of the test year.
- ⁷ He testified as matching the test year chosen to
- 8 the year-end rate basis. Ms. Gregor was the
- ⁹ witness I believe that testified regarding the
- test year chosen.
- MR. REDDICK: Your Honor, I think
- that was my question.
- MS. SCARSELLA: You're speaking of
- test year, but Mr. Hengtgen has testified
- concerning rate base.
- MR. REDDICK: I believe my question
- was whether or not he was separating his testimony
- on rate base from the testimony on test year.
- 19 That was my --
- MS. SCARSELLA: Again, Mr. Hengtgen
- didn't testify as to the test year chosen. He
- only testified in context of the rate base

- selected with regard to the test year chosen by
- the company.
- JUDGE TEAGUE: We're going to
- overrule the objection. If you can answer,
- 5 please --
- 6 BY THE WITNESS:
- A. Could you restate the question?
- ⁸ Just repeat it one time.
- 9 MR. REDDICK: Might I trouble the
- reporter again. It was a while ago. I'm not sure
- 11 I could reproduce it because it came from your
- answer.
- 13 (Whereupon, the record was read
- as requested.)
- 15 BY THE WITNESS:
- 16 A. The representative test year in this
- case is calendar year 2014. My testimony is on
- rate base and I'm proposing that there be a
- year-end rate base be used to set the rates in
- this proceeding.
- 21 BY MR. REDDICK:
- Q. I'm confused by the answer because

- you said earlier today that 2013 was not
- ² representative?
- A. It's not representative of the time
- 4 that the rates are in effect because they're only
- 5 in effect for half the year.
- 6 Q. But it is representative of what?
- A. 2013 is the test year that has been
- 8 chosen in this proceeding.
- 9 Q. That's all you meant by that
- 10 statement?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. So your objective in your
- testimony was to define a rate base amount that
- 14 was representative of the period rates will be in
- 15 effect?
- A. My testimony supported the
- components of rate base and my testimony suggested
- that the proper rate base to be used to set the
- rates in this proceeding would be year-end because
- that is more reflective of the time period that
- the rates will be in effect.
- Q. And would it also be accurate to say

- 1 your objective was not to define or determine an
- amount that was representative of the gradual
- increase in rate base over the course of the 12
- 4 months January 2013 to December 2013?
- ⁵ A. My rate base calculation actually
- 6 was a year-end. So my proposal on my direct was
- ⁷ that year-end rate base would be reflective and
- 8 should be used to set the rates and that would be
- ⁹ an accumulation of the rate base components from
- the beginning of the year all the way to the end
- of the test year December 31st. I suggested that
- that was the appropriate rate base to be used.
- Q. Because that is the accumulative
- amount of all the additions during the year?
- A. Correct.
- Q. The capital costs that the company
- incurs begin when the plant goes into rate base.
- 18 That is when it becomes -- goes into service?
- 19 A. That's correct. When you -- what is
- your definition of capital costs?
- Q. Rate base times return --
- A. Okay.

- Q. -- as adjusted by capital related
- ² growth.
- A. I thought maybe you were going
- 4 towards depreciation expense where you said when
- 5 it's placed in service and that's when the
- 6 depreciation starts, but you're talking about the
- ⁷ return on rate base?
- ⁸ Q. Yes. The others change as well. I
- 9 mean, it all starts when it goes into service,
- correct, the return as well as depreciation starts
- when the plant is going into service?
- 12 A. Depreciation starts when the plant
- goes into service. So can I give you an example?
- Q. I dont' think we need to talk about
- depreciation.
- 16 A. Okay. The capital -- the recovery
- of the capital costs.
- Q. I'm sorry. We're not talking -- I'm
- trying very hard to focus on costs. The test year
- costs. Not the rates.
- A. Okay. I'll try to bear with you.
- Q. So Peoples Gas incurs capital costs

- starting when a plant goes into service?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. And all of the plant doesn't go into
- 4 service at the same time during a given year?
- 5 A. That's correct.
- 6 Q. And because it goes into service
- ⁷ gradually both over the course of the year one way
- 8 to recognize that is to use an average of the
- 9 beginning/ending amounts?
- 10 A. That's correct.
- Q. Okay. Again, in your rebuttal
- testimony on page seven in the vicinity of line
- 13 148, you comment on the rate base calculation used
- in electric utility formula rate cases and you
- observed that an end of year rate base is used to
- set rates in those formula rate cases and that an
- average rate base is used to reconcile projected
- revenue requirements to an actual revenue
- requirement, is that an accurate summary of what
- you say there?
- A. That's my understanding of the
- process in the formula case, yes.

- 1 Q. You do understand that there is a
- reconciliation of revenue requirements in the
- ³ formula rate cases?
- 4 A. Yeah. Let me preface this
- ⁵ discussion. I also said I'm not an expert by any
- 6 means in the formula rate process, but I do
- ⁷ understand that there is a reconciliation, yes.
- 8 O. And do you understand as well that
- ⁹ the reconciliation in those cases determines the
- ultimate revenue requirement for which rate payers
- 11 are responsible?
- 12 A. That's going beyond my knowledge.
- 13 I'm not really exactly sure how the formula
- 14 process works.
- 15 Q. Then you really have no basis for
- the opinion you express at line 149 that the
- 17 Instant cases are traditional rate cases and
- references to the use of average rate base in the
- 19 ComEd and Ameren formula rate reconciliations are
- irrelevant?
- A. Starting at 149 going through 151.
- Yeah, I think my intent of that is that the

- formula process is a much different regulatory
- scheme than the traditional rate cases. So I
- don't think talking about what is used in those
- 4 cases is relevant.
- ⁵ Q. But you're not aware of the details
- of that process?
- A. I'm not extremely familiar with
- 8 that, no.
- 9 Q. So there may be, in fact, relevant
- areas that you're not aware of?
- 11 A. That's possible. It's my opinion.
- Q. Based on your limited understanding?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. But you do know that there will not
- be a reconciliation of revenue requirements in
- this case?
- A. I do know that.
- Q. Isn't it true that traditionally
- rates set in a rate base remain in effect
- indefinitely, that is they continue in effect
- until modified under a new rate case?
- A. I believe that's correct.

- Q. And during that period if a utility
- believes that or perceives that there is a serious
- under-recovery problem it can file a new rate
- 4 case?
- ⁵ A. It certainly could.
- Q. And under the proposals you've made
- both in your original testimony and in your
- 8 compromised proposal, you haven't said anything
- ⁹ that would affect Peoples right to file a rate
- 10 case?
- ¹¹ A. No.
- Q. And isn't it true at times in the
- past Peoples have gone years without filing a rate
- 14 case?
- 15 A. I believe that's accurate, yes.
- Q. And during that period the company
- kept in place rates -- I'm sorry -- rates based on
- test year data that was years away from the times
- that the rates remained effective?
- A. That's true.
- Q. For reasons stated in Mr. Schott's
- testimony, Peoples Gas will be filing a new rate

- case within two years, do you understand that?
- A. I'm familiar with Mr. Schott's
- testimony and I think -- I think there was some
- discussion that a rate case needs to be filed
- 5 sometime in 2014. It's not my testimony, but I
- think that's my understanding.
- ⁷ Q. Would the problematic circumstances
- 8 we're discussing here today, the use of test year
- 9 data and rates effective in another period, would
- those problems be mitigated if the proposed test
- year in future cases were more closely aligned
- with the expected rates period?
- A. So if the rates were in effect at
- 14 the beginning of the test year, is that kind of
- the question you asked, but not in that way? I'd
- say the answer to that is yes.
- Q. So if a utility chose a future test
- year that coincided with the expected periods of
- the rates being in effect, we wouldn't have this
- 20 problem?
- A. I think if the rates were going to
- be in effect at the beginning of the year we

- probably wouldn't, that is correct.
- MR. REDDICK: Thank you. I have no
- ³ further questions, your Honor.
- JUDGE TEAGUE: Thank you. Does CUB
- 5 have any --
- 6 MS. SODERNA: CUB does not have any
- ⁷ testimony of this witness.
- MS. SCARSELLA: Can we have a few
- ⁹ minutes?
- JUDGE TEAGUE: Sure.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Before you do that, we
- do have our questions because they were not
- addressed. I just have a couple of questions for
- you, Mr. Hengtgen, and they're all going to deal
- with your 43.0 concern about NOL, net operating
- loss.
- 17 Is it correct that the impact of
- the 2012 NOL was not reflected in the companies
- requested revenue requirements until surrebuttal
- testimony?
- THE WITNESS: That is correct.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Okay. So can you

- indicate which schedules specifically reflect the
- impact of the 2012 NOL for both Peoples Gas and
- North Shore?
- THE WITNESS: Sure. I think if I
- direct your attention to Exhibit 43.5P and 43.5N
- that will show the opening balance or in other
- words the ending balance at December 31st of 2012
- of the NOL that we're now reflecting in rate base.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Okay. So just those
- exhibits as set forth in 43.5P and 43.5N?
- THE WITNESS: That's correct. Those
- show the numbers and, of course, these numbers are
- rolled up in the 43.1 schedule.
- JUDGE DOLAN: All right. Would the
- 2013 NOL adjustments be different if the 2012 NOL
- adjustment is not included in the revenue
- 17 requirement?
- THE WITNESS: Your Honor, I'm a
- little hesitant to answer that question because we
- do have a tax witness that probably is better
- suited to answer that question.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Okay. And then is it

- 1 correct that the adjustments that you have
- mentioned include all of the direct adjustments
- 3 for the 2012 NOL?
- THE WITNESS: Yes, that's correct.
- MS. LUSSON: I'm sorry. Can I have
- 6 that question read back?
- 7 (Whereupon, the record was read
- as requested.)
- 9 MS. LUSSON: Thank you.
- THE WITNESS: I believe, yes, that's
- 11 correct.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Thank you. That's all
- the questions I have.
- 14 (Whereupon, a break was taken
- after which the following
- proceedings were had.)
- JUDGE TEAGUE: We can go back on the
- record. Do you have any redirect?
- MS. SCARSELLA: No redirect.
- JUDGE TEAGUE: You are done for the
- day, Mr. Hengtgen. Is there any recross?
- MR. FEELEY: I think the next

- witness up is Bill Johnson for staff and my
- understanding is the AG doesn't have any cross for
- him, but the company has a cross exhibit as part
- of a mutual flavor and I just rather put him on
- 5 rather than do an affidavit if that's fine.
- JUDGE DOLAN: That's fine. While
- ⁷ we're on that topic -- nevermind. I assume that
- 8 most parties are going to put the waived cross in
- ⁹ tomorrow or the waived testimony in tomorrow, is
- that what we're going to do?
- MS. PALMER: Today, Judge.
- JUDGE DOLAN: I was going to say if
- people are prepared to do it today, we can get to
- it today.
- MR. O'BRIEN: The people are
- prepared to do that.
- JUDGE DOLAN: All right.
- MR. FEELEY: At this time, staff
- calls the next witness, Mr. William Johnson.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Good morning,
- Mr. Johnson. Please raise your right hand.

- ¹ WHEREUPON:
- WILLIAM JOHNSON
- 3 called as a witness herein, having been first duly
- sworn, deposeth and saith as follows:
- 5 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 6 BY MR. FEELEY
- 7 Q. Could you please state your name and
- 8 spell it for the record?
- 9 A. My name is William R. Johnson.
- Q. And by whom are you employed?
- 11 A. Illinois Commerce Commission.
- Q. And what is your business address?
- A. 527 East Capitol, Springfield,
- ¹⁴ Illinois 62701.
- Q. Mr. Johnson, did you prepare some
- direct and rebuttal testimony for this proceeding?
- A. Yes, I did.
- Q. Do you have in front of you a
- document that has been marked for identification
- as The Direct Testimony of William R. Johnson
- marked for identification as ICC Staff Exhibit 8.0
- and has attached Schedules 8.01N and P through

- 1 8.02N and P?
- A. Yes, I do.
- 3 (Document marked as Staff
- Exhibit No. 8.0 for
- identification.)
- 6 BY MR. FEELEY:
- ⁷ Q. And was that document prepared under
- your direction, supervision and control?
- ⁹ A. Yes, it was.
- 10 Q. Do you have any additions, deletions
- or modifications to make to Staff Exhibit 8.0?
- A. I do not.
- Q. Mr. Johnson, do you also have in
- front of you what has been marked for
- identification as The Rebuttal Testimony of
- William R. Johnson? It's been marked as ICC Staff
- Exhibit 17.0 and has an Attachment A?
- 18 (Document marked as Staff
- Exhibit No. 17.0 for
- identification.)
- 21 BY THE WITNESS:
- A. Yes.

- 1 BY MR. FEELEY:
- Q. Did you prepare that document?
- A. Yes, I did.
- Q. Do you have any additions, deletions
- 5 modification or corrections to make to Staff
- 6 Exhibit 17.0?
- ⁷ A. No.
- 9 Q. Is the information contained in your
- ⁹ direct and rebuttal testimony true and correct to
- the best of your knowledge and belief?
- A. Yes, it is.
- Q. If I were to ask you the same series
- of questions set forth in ICC Staff Exhibit's 8.0
- and 17.0, would your responses be the same?
- ¹⁵ A. Yes.
- MR. FEELEY: Your Honor, at this
- time, I move to admit into evidence the direct
- testimony of William R. Johnson marked for
- identification as Staff Exhibit 8.0 and has
- attached Schedules 8.01N and P through 8.02N and P
- 21 and The Rebuttal Testimony of William R. Johnson
- marked for identification as Staff Exhibit 17.0

- ¹ Attachment A.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Any objections?
- MS. KLYASHEFF: No objection.
- JUDGE DOLAN: All right. Then Staff
- 5 Exhibit 8.0 along with Schedules 8.01N and P
- through 8.02N and P will be admitted into the
- 7 record and Staff Exhibit's 17.0 with Attachment A
- will be admitted into the record. Thank you.
- 9 MR. FEELEY: Mr. Johnson is
- available for cross-examination.
- MS. KLYASHEFF: In lieu of
- cross-examination, North Shore and Peoples Gas
- wish to enter a cross exhibit consisting of two
- data responses.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Okay.
- 16 (Document marked as NS PGL
- Exhibit No. 10 for
- identification.)
- MS. KLYASHEFF: We propose a cross
- exhibit marked as NS PGL Cross Exhibit 10, which
- consists of staff's responses to company data
- requests 3.13 and 13.1.

- JUDGE DOLAN: Any objections?
- MR. FEELEY: So this is number 10
- you said?
- MS. KLYASHEFF: I believe so.
- MR. FEELEY: I guess do you want to
- ⁶ go off the record for just a second.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Okay. Off the record.
- 8 (Whereupon, a discussion was had
- off the record.)
- JUDGE DOLAN: Back on the record.
- MR. FEELEY: Staff has no objection
- to NS PGL Cross Exhibit 10.
- JUDGE DOLAN: All right. NS PGL
- 14 Cross Exhibit 10 will be admitted into the record.
- MR. FEELEY: Thank you.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Ms. Lusson, do you
- have anything for this witness?
- MS. LUSSON: Actually, I think I
- have one clarifying question I want to ask
- Mr. Johnson if I could.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Tim, can you just turn
- the camera.

- MR. O'BRIEN: Yes.
- 2 CROSS EXAMINATION
- BY MS. LUSSON
- Q. Mr. Johnson, I just want to clarify
- your SC1 heating proposal for both Peoples Gas and
- 6 North Shore Gas. Is it correct to conclude that
- you have rejected Ms. Grace's 80 percent straight
- 8 fixed variable proposal for the SC1 heating
- 9 classes for both North Shore and Peoples Gas?
- 10 A. That's correct.
- MS. LUSSON: Thank you.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Any redirect based on
- that question?
- MR. FEELEY: No redirect.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Thank you,
- Mr. Johnson. You're excused.
- THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Proceed.
- MS. CARDONI: At this time, staff
- calls Brett Seagle.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Good morning. Please
- raise your right hand.

- ¹ WHEREUPON:
- 2 BRETT SEAGLE
- 3 called as a witness herein, having been first duly
- sworn, deposeth and saith as follows:
- JUDGE DOLAN: Thank you.
- 6 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 7 BY MS. CARDONI
- 8 Q. Good morning, Brett. Please state
- 9 your full name for the record and spell your last
- name. Brett, you have to turn on your mic.
- 11 A. Sorry. Brett N. Seagle. Last name
- S-E-A-G-L-E.
- Q. And who is your employer and what is
- your business address?
- A. My employer is the Illinois Commerce
- 16 Commission. My business address is 527 East
- Capitol Avenue, Springfield, Illinois 62701.
- Q. And what is your position at the
- 19 Illinois Commerce Commission?
- A. I am a gas engineer.
- Q. Did you prepare written exhibits for
- submittal in this proceeding?

- ¹ A. Yes.
- Q. Do you have before you a document
- marked for identification as Staff Exhibit 6.0 and
- Schedule 6.01P, Attachments A, B1 and B2 and is
- ⁵ entitled The Direct Testimony of Brett Seagle?
- A. That's correct.
- 7 (Document marked as Staff
- 8 Exhibit No. 6.0 for
- 9 identification.)
- 10 BY MS. CARDONI:
- 11 Q. Did you prepare that document for
- presentation in this matter?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. Do you also have before you a
- document marked as Staff Exhibit 16.0 including
- Schedules 16.01P and Attachments A and B entitled
- The Rebuttal Testimony of Brett Seagle?
- A. That's correct.
- 19 (Document marked as Staff
- Exhibit No. 16.0 for
- identification.)
- 22 BY MS. CARDONI:

- Q. Did you prepare that document for
- presentation in this matter?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Do you have any corrections to make
- to either Exhibit 6.0 or 16.0?
- A. Yes, I have two minor corrections to
- make to -- the schedule attached to Exhibit 6.0,
- 8 Schedule 6.01P and in that schedule on line 13
- 9 reads 2012 AMRP disallowance is equal to
- 10 200,000 -- 200 million times what read before as
- line seven I would like it to read now line six
- and on line 14 the line reads 2013 AMRP
- disallowance is equal to 220,750,000 times line
- what what. What was line 14 it was actually
- supposed to be line 12.
- Q. Other than those edits, is the
- information contained in Staff Exhibit 6.0 and
- 18 16.0 true and correct to the best of your
- 19 knowledge?
- ²⁰ A. Yes.
- Q. If I were to ask the same questions
- as set forth in Exhibit 6.0 and 16.0, would your

- 1 responses be the same today?
- ² A. Yes.
- MS. CARDONI: Your Honor, at this
- 4 time, I move for admission into evidence of
- 5 Exhibit 6.0 and 16.0. I note for the record these
- 6 are the same documents filed on E-docket November
- ⁷ 20th, 2012, and January 16th, 2013.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Any objections?
- 9 MS. SCARSELLA: No objection.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Hearing no objections,
- then ICC Exhibit 6.0 along with 6.01P and
- 12 Attachments A, B1 and B2 will be admitted into the
- record and ICC Exhibit 16.0 along with Schedule
- 16.01P and Attachments A and B will be admitted
- into the record.
- MS. CARDONI: Thank you. Mr. Seagle
- is now available for cross.
- 18 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 19 BY MS. SCARSELLA
- Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Seagle. My name
- is Carla Scarsella. I'm one of the attorneys
- representing Peoples Gas and North Shore in this

- ¹ proceeding.
- A. Hello.
- Q. My questions for the most part
- 4 relate to Peoples Gas's Accelerated Main
- ⁵ Replacement Program. Now, that program is also
- for referred to as AMRP, correct?
- ⁷ A. Correct.
- 8 Q. So if I refer to AMRP, you'll
- 9 understand that I'm referring to Peoples Gas's
- 10 Accelerated Main Replacement Program, correct?
- 11 A. Correct.
- Q. Now, Mr. Seagle, in rebuttal
- testimony, if you can turn to your rebuttal
- testimony page 26 lines 506 to 508.
- A. Yes, I'm there.
- Q. Now, there you state that "Peoples
- Gas failed to provide sufficient evidence to
- demonstrate that it will incur the cost it
- projected for 2012 and the 2013 test year," is
- that correct?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. Now, do you agree that Peoples Gas's

- ¹ 2012 budget for AMRP projects is \$220 million?
- ² A. Yes.
- Q. Can you please refer to Mr. Hayes'
- 4 corrected surrebuttal testimony. If you don't
- 5 have it, I believe Mr. Allen has a copy.
- A. I think I have it here. However, I
- ⁷ may not have the corrected version.
- 8 O. That should work. I don't think the
- 9 line numbers didn't change and I don't think we're
- going to be talking about what changed in that
- 11 testimony.
- A. I got it.
- Q. Okay. Can you turn to page 30 line
- ¹⁴ 666 and 667.
- A. Can you repeat that one more time?
- Q. Sure. Page 30, line 666 to 667.
- A. I don't know if I'm looking at the
- wrong thing. I only have 14 pages.
- Q. Maybe you're looking at supplemental
- direct. I apologize if I misspoke. I need
- surrebuttal.
- A. Surrebuttal. I have surrebuttal.

- I'm was looking at rebuttal. I'm sorry.
- Q. That's quite all right.
- A. Okay. I'm there.
- Q. All right. You'll notice there --
- and I'm not actually going to say the number
- 6 because it's been deemed confidential, but doesn't
- ⁷ Mr. Hayes provide the actual expenditures for
- 8 2012?
- ⁹ A. Yes.
- Q. And would you agree that this amount
- was spent on AMRP design, engineering, materials,
- construction, restoration and management?
- 13 A. I would agree that Mr. Hayes --
- that's what Mr. Hayes' testimony states there,
- 15 yes.
- Q. Do you have any evidence that
- demonstrates that that amount was spent on
- something else?
- A. No, I do not.
- Q. Would you agree that the main
- difference between the 2012 budget and the 2012
- actual expenditures is attributable to the cost of

- removal which increased from \$7.4 million budgeted
- to \$18.5 million actual?
- A. That is what his testimony states
- 4 there, yes.
- ⁵ Q. Again, you don't have any evidence
- 6 demonstrating otherwise?
- A. No, I do not.
- 8 O. Now, a utility cannot recover the
- 9 cost of removal in rate base, can it?
- 10 A. I'm not a hundred percent sure.
- Q. Will you agree with me, subject to
- check, that Peoples Gas rate base does not include
- the cost of removal regarding AMRP?
- A. So regarding cost of removal?
- 0. Right.
- A. As not included in rate base?
- Q. In rate base.
- A. Subject to check, yes.
- 19 Q. Thank you. So when you remove the
- cost of removal from the budgeted 2012 AMRP costs,
- Peoples Gas's budgeted amount for 2012 AMRP plant
- addition was \$212.6 million, would you agree with

- 1 that?
- A. Again, I would agrees that's what
- 3 the testimony states here, yes.
- Q. Again, you have no evidence
- ⁵ demonstrating otherwise?
- 6 A. Correct.
- ⁷ Q. Doing the same computation with the
- 8 actual expenditures, isn't it true that the actual
- 9 amounts spent on 2012 AMRP plant additions was
- ¹⁰ \$210 million?
- MS. CARDONI: Carla, are you
- referring to line 673 just to give Mr. Seagle a
- 13 little more direction?
- MS. SCARSELLA: Yes.
- 15 BY MR. SCARSELLA:
- Q. It's in that paragraph. So if you
- look at line 673 of Mr. Hayes' surrebuttal
- 18 testimony.
- 19 A. Yes, I'm looking at it. Again, I
- would agree that Mr. Hayes' testimony does state
- that here, yes.
- Q. And, again, you have no other

- evidence demonstrating that Peoples Gas did not
- spend that money, do you?
- A. No, I do not.
- Q. So would you agree that Peoples Gas
- incurred 98.7 percent of the costs that it
- forecasted for 2012 AMRP?
- A. I haven't done that calculation.
- 8 O. Well, would you agree with me that
- 9 subject to check that \$210 million divided by
- \$212.6 million would be 98.7 percent?
- 11 A. Yes. Subject to check, I would.
- Q. So do you agree that the 2012 amount
- of AMRP reflected in Peoples Gas proposed rate
- 14 case is representative of the cost actually
- 15 incurred?
- 16 A. Can you repeat the question, please?
- Q. Absolutely. So as a result, do you
- agree that the 2012 amount of AMRP reflected in
- 19 Peoples Gas's proposed rate base is representative
- of costs actually incurred?
- A. Well, I would have to say I would
- probably need to see a little bit of data before I

- could say that these costs were actually incurred.
- Just having a number put down on a piece of paper,
- ³ just a large number there, I can't really say as
- 4 to if I had a chance to get a DR out and maybe get
- a response from the company showing a little bit
- 6 more detailed information then, yes, I could say
- ⁷ that.
- Q. And you haven't done that to date?
- 9 A. Not today. This was surrebuttal,
- 10 right?
- Q. Right.
- A. No, I haven't.
- Q. Yet you have no evidence
- demonstrating that Peoples Gas has not expended
- those costs?
- A. No, I do not.
- Q. Can you turn to Mr. Hayes'
- surrebuttal testimony page seven. There's a chart
- at the bottom of the page that feeds over to page
- eight.
- A. I'm there.
- Q. You beat me. Hold on. Do you agree

- that this chart represents the main replacement
- ² actually installed over the last four years -- the
- last four years by Peoples Gas? I think you're on
- 4 mute again.
- ⁵ A. I'm sorry. I have a big binder here
- 6 that keeps hitting it.
- ⁷ Q. It's okay. Can you repeat your
- 8 answer?
- 9 A. Yes. The table does show those
- numbers, yes.
- 11 Q. Now, referring to the column
- entitled 2012, do you agree that this column
- represents the actual work completed for 2012 with
- 14 respect to AMRP?
- A. Could you repeat that question one
- more time?
- Q. Absolutely. Referring to the column
- entitled 2012 in the chart, do you agree that this
- column represents the actual work completed with
- respect to AMRP during the calendar year 2012?
- A. I can agree with that.
- Q. If you can look at the first line of

- that chart, it represents new gas mains installed
- by miles, do you agree?
- ³ A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And for 2012 it shows that Peoples
- 5 Gas installed 132 miles of main, is that correct?
- ⁶ A. Yes.
- ⁷ Q. Do you agree that the 132 miles of
- 8 main are main that has actually been installed in
- ⁹ the ground?
- 10 A. I have no reason to believe
- otherwise.
- Q. Do you also agree that the 132 miles
- of main is currently used and useful to providing
- service to Peoples Gas customers or will be used
- and useful in providing service in 2013 once the
- mains are gassed?
- 17 A. Once the mains are gassed, I would
- say yes.
- Q. Now, the next line represents --
- we'll skip down to new service pipes.
- 21 For 2012, it shows that 13,289
- service pipes were installed, is that correct?

- 1 A. That's correct.
- Q. Do you agree that the 13,289 service
- pipes have actually been installed in the ground?
- ⁴ Do you agree that Peoples Gas actually installed
- 5 those pipes?
- A. Yes. Again, I have no reason to
- ⁷ believe otherwise.
- 8 Q. So do you agree that the 13,289
- 9 service pipes is currently being used and useful
- in providing service to Peoples Gas customers or
- will be used and useful in providing service in
- ¹² 2013?
- 13 A. Just as long as they're connected to
- the main, they will be.
- Q. Excellent. If you go to the last
- line on the chart on page seven -- I'm sorry --
- yes, page seven. That represents the new meter
- regulator sets that have been installed, do you
- agree that in 2012 28,168 meter sets were actually
- installed at customer locations?
- A. That is what the tables would
- suggest, yes.

- Q. Again, you have nothing -- no
- evidence demonstrating otherwise?
- ³ A. No.
- Q. Do you agree that the 28,168 meter
- 5 sets is currently used and useful to provide
- service to Peoples Gas customers?
- A. Of course. As long as the service
- 8 to the meters are hooked to the main and the
- 9 actual meter sets are hooked to the service lines,
- 10 yes.
- 11 Q. Thank you. Now, finally, on the
- very last line of the chart, which is on page
- eight, that represents the amount of high pressure
- steel interstation main installed and for 2012 it
- shows that 3.5 miles of such main were installed,
- 16 correct?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Now, you agree that the 3.5 miles of
- high pressure steel interstation main have
- actually been installed in the ground, correct?
- A. That is what the table shows, yes.
- Q. And you have no evidence

- demonstrating otherwise?
- ² A. No.
- Q. Do you agree that the 3.5 miles of
- 4 high pressure steel interstation main is used and
- ⁵ useful in providing service to Peoples Gas
- 6 customers?
- A. If there is gas flowing in the pipe
- 8 and the distribution is actually hooked up to the
- 9 main, yes, it would be providing service and would
- be used and useful, yes.
- 11 Q. I apologize. I didn't want to
- interrupt. But you have no evidence demonstrating
- otherwise?
- A. No, I do not.
- Q. Mr. Seagle, isn't it true that the
- amount of 2012 AMRP reflected in Peoples Gas's
- rate base reflects plants that are either
- currently used and useful in providing service to
- customers or will be used and useful to providing
- service to customers in 2013?
- 21 A. Can you repeat the question one more
- time?

- Q. Absolutely. Isn't it true that the
- amount of 2012 AMRP reflected in Peoples Gas's
- ³ rate base reflects plants that are either
- 4 currently used and useful in providing service to
- 5 customers or will be used and useful in providing
- 6 service to customers in 2013?
- A. Yes, I have no reason to disagree.
- 8 Q. Now, Mr. Seagle, are you aware that
- 9 Peoples Gas and North Shore filed a rate case in
- 2009?
- 11 A. Yes.
- Q. And, in fact, you submitted
- testimony in that rate case, did you not?
- ¹⁴ A. I did.
- Q. Isn't it true that your
- responsibility in 2009 included reviewing all of
- Peoples Gas's Schedules F4 projects except for
- their cast and ductile iron pipe replacement
- ¹⁹ project?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. Do you know if any staff engineer
- was assigned to review that project in the 2009

- proceeding?
- A. I can't recall.
- Q. Mr. Seagle, do you know if -- are
- 4 you aware of whether Peoples Gas and North Shore
- ⁵ filed a rate case in the 2011 proceeding?
- A. Yes, I filed testimony --
- Q. All right.
- A. -- in the case.
- 9 Q. And I horribly butchered that
- question. Thank you for answering it correctly.
- 11 In that rate case, in the 2011 rate case, your
- responsibility was to review all of Peoples Gas's
- Schedule F4 projects except for AMRP, correct?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Do you know if any other staff
- engineer was assigned to review that project in
- the 2011 proceeding?
- A. I can't recall.
- 19 Q. You're not aware whether an
- engineer -- did any other engineer in your group
- testify in that proceeding?
- A. Again, I can't recall.

- MR. SCARSELLA: Mr. Allen, can you
- hand Mr. Seagle his response to North Shore
- Peoples Gas data requests 12.05.
- 4 BY MS. SCARSELLA:
- ⁵ Q. Mr. Seagle, do you recognize this
- 6 data request?
- ⁷ A. Yes.
- Q. Did you prepare the response to this
- ⁹ data request?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Is it true and correct?
- A. Yes.
- MS. SCARSELLA: Your Honor's, I'm
- going to mark this as North Shore Peoples Gas
- ¹⁵ Exhibit 11.
- 16 (Document marked as NS PGL
- Exhibit No. 11 for
- identification.)
- MS. SCARSELLA: Mr. Allen, can you
- hand Mr. Seagle the response -- staff response to
- North Shore Peoples Gas data requests 12.06?

- 1 BY MR. SCARSELLA:
- Q. Mr. Seagle, do you recognize this
- 3 data request?
- ⁴ A. I do.
- ⁵ Q. Did you prepare the response to this
- 6 data request?
- ⁷ A. Yes.
- 8 0. Is it true and correct?
- ⁹ A. Yes.
- MS. SCARSELLA: Your Honor's, I'm
- going to mark the response to -- staff's response
- to North Shore Peoples Gas data requests 12.06 as
- NS PGL Cross Exhibit 12.
- 14 (Document marked as NS PGL
- Exhibit No. 12 for
- identification.)
- MS. SCARSELLA: Finally, Mr. Allen,
- can you hand Mr. Seagle the response to -- staff
- response to data request 14.01. Your Honor's, I'm
- going to mark as NS PGL Cross Exhibit 13 staff's
- response to North Shore Peoples data requests
- 14.01.

- 1 (Document marked as NS PGL
- Exhibit No. 13 for
- identification.)
- ⁴ BY MS. SCARSELLA:
- ⁵ Q. Mr. Seagle, do you recognize the
- data requests 14.01?
- ⁷ A. Yes.
- Q. Did you prepare that response?
- ⁹ A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Is it true and correct?
- A. Yes.
- Q. And just for the record you are
- withdrawing your recommendation to exclude the
- 14 cost associated with the Calumet system upgrade,
- is that correct?
- A. That's correct.
- MS. SCARSELLA: Your Honor's, I
- would like to move into the record NS PGL Cross
- ¹⁹ Exhibit's 11, 12 and 13.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Any objections?
- MS. CARDONI: None.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Then NS PGL Cross

- Exhibit's 11, 12 and 13 will be admitted into the
- ² record.
- MS. SCARSELLA: I have no further
- 4 questions.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Thank you. Do you
- 6 want a minute?
- MS. CARDONI: Yes, please.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Off the record.
- 9 (Whereupon, a break was taken
- after which the following
- proceedings were had.)
- JUDGE DOLAN: Back on the record.
- MS. CARDONI: We have no redirect.
- 14 Thank you.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Thank you, Mr. Seagle.
- THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Looks like one more
- witness.
- MR. FEELEY: Yes. Your Honor's, at
- this time, staff would call its next witness
- Ms. Bonnie Pearce.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Please raise your

- ¹ right hand.
- WHEREUPON:
- BONITA PEARCE
- 4 called as a witness herein, having been first duly
- sworn, deposeth and saith as follows:
- JUDGE DOLAN: Thank you.
- 7 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 8 BY MR. FEELEY
- 9 Q. Could you please state your name for
- the record?
- A. Bonita A. Pearce, P-E-A-R-C-E.
- Q. By whom are you employed?
- 13 A. I'm an accountant in the accounting
- 14 department of the financial analysis division of
- the Illinois Commerce Commission.
- Q. Ms. Pearce, do you have in front of
- you a document which has been marked for
- identification as Staff Exhibit 4.0, the Direct
- 19 Testimony of Bonita A. Pearce, which consists of
- 26 pages of narrative text and attached Schedules
- ²¹ 14.01N and P, 14.02P, 14.03N and P through 14.04N
- 22 and P -- I'm sorry. I saying 14.4. Sorry about

- that. 4.05P and Attachments A and B?
- 2 (Document marked as Staff
- Exhibit No. 4.0 for
- identification.)
- 5 BY THE WITNESS:
- A. Yes, I do.
- ⁷ BY MR. FEELEY:
- Q. And, Ms. Pearce, do you have in
- ⁹ front of you another document that has been marked
- for identification as Rebuttal Testimony of Bonnie
- Pearce, consists of 23 pages of narrative text and
- attached Schedules 14.01N and P, 14.02P, 14.03N
- and P and Attachment A?
- A. Yes.
- 15 (Document marked as Staff
- Exhibit No. 14.0 for
- identification.)
- 18 BY MR. FEELEY:
- 0. Were Staff Exhibit's 4.0 and 14.0
- and attached schedules prepared by you or under
- your direction, supervision and control?
- A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Do you have any additions, deletions
- or modifications to make to Staff Exhibit 4.0 and
- ³ 14.0?
- ⁴ A. No.
- ⁵ Q. If I were to ask you the same series
- of questions set forth in this document, would
- your answers be the same?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 MR. FEELEY: Your Honor's, I would
- note that 4.0 was filed on E-docket on November
- 20th and 14.0 was filed on January 16th. At this
- time, staff would move to admit into evidence The
- Direct Testimony of Bonita A. Pearce Staff Exhibit
- 4.0 and Schedules 4.01N and P, 4.02P, 4.03N and P
- through 4.04N and P, 4.05P and Attachments A and B
- and for the rebuttal, Staff Exhibit 14.0 and
- Schedules 14.01N and P, 14.02P, 14.03N and P and
- 18 Attachment A.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Any objections?
- MS. SCARSELLA: No objections.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Hearing none, Staff
- Exhibit 4.0 and Schedules 4.01N and P, 4.02P 4.03N

- and P, 4.04N and P and 4.05P along with
- 2 Attachments A and P will be admitted into the
- 3 record and Staff Exhibit 14.0 along with Schedules
- 4 14.01N and P, 14.02P and 14.03N and P along with
- 5 Attachment A will be admitted into the record.
- MR. FEELEY: Ms. Pearce is available
- ⁷ for cross-examination.
- MS. SCARSELLA: Your Honor's, the
- ⁹ utilities have waived cross of Ms. Pearce in lieu
- of submitting a data request response into the
- 11 record. So if I can do that at this time before
- Ms. Lusson begins.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Yes.
- MS. SCARSELLA: The utilities would
- like to move into the record the response to data
- response BAP 27.02.
- MR. FEELEY: Staff has no objections
- to the admission of the response of BAP 27.02.
- JUDGE DOLAN: I believe that's going
- 20 to be --
- MS. SCARSELLA: It will be NS PGL
- 22 Cross Exhibit 14.

- 1 (Document marked as NS PGL
- Exhibit No. 14 for
- identification.)
- JUDGE DOLAN: Then NS PGL Cross
- 5 Exhibit 14 will be admitted into the record.
- 6 Ms. Lusson, are you ready?
- MS. LUSSON: Yes.
- 8 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 9 BY MS. LUSSON
- Q. Good afternoon, Ms. Pearce.
- 11 A. Good afternoon.
- Q. My name is Karen Lusson. I'm from
- the Attorney General's Office. I just have a few
- questions for you today about your adjustment
- related to invested capital taxes and your
- adoption or agreement with Ms. Moy's methodology
- ¹⁷ for calculating that.
- So these questions deal
- essentially with your testimony at pages 19
- through 21 of your rebuttal. First, let me ask
- you generally. Do you agree that the proper
- selection and consistent application of the test

- year is important so that all of the components of
- the revenue requirement, including rate base,
- operating expenses, capital costs and sales or
- billing determinants are holistically analyzed and
- ⁵ quantified in a balanced and internally consistent
- 6 manner so that those revenue requirement elements
- ⁷ are matched so to speak?
- A. I guess I'm not really sure what you
- 9 mean by internally consistent. Do you mean
- internally consistent in the sense that all the
- elements of the revenue requirement are consistent
- or are you talking about internally consistent
- with something else?
- Q. So that they're examined by the
- Commission in a consistent manner in terms of how
- it measures rate base, how it measures operating
- expenses, how it -- how it examines cost of
- capital and revenues within the test year period.
- 19 A. That's a very general conceptual
- type of question. Generally speaking, I don't
- disagree, but I think there's a matter of debate
- about what would be consistent and how some of

- those items would be defined.
- Q. Okay. Fair enough.
- MS. LUSSON: Look at, if you would,
- 4 Mr. Allen, if you could hand --
- 5 BY MS. LUSSON:
- Q. First, before we do that. When you
- ⁷ state at line 440 that you agree with
- 8 Mr. Stabile's position that the calculation should
- be updated, but not by using a methodology based
- on 2012 information that excludes derivative
- impacts of the 2013 test year, can you tell us
- what you mean by derivative impacts as used there?
- 13 A. I think if you continue on in that
- line 442 and a new sentence begins and explains
- that it's because the amount of invested capital
- tax will increase to reflect the additional
- investment that results from rates that are
- ultimately approved by the Commission in this
- ¹⁹ proceeding.
- Q. So are these the capital structure
- impacts that will accumulate after new rates are
- effective from the Commission's order?

- ¹ A. Yes.
- MS. LUSSON: Mr. Allen, if you could
- show Ms. Pearce a copy of the -- of staff's
- 4 response to AG data request 1.04.
- 5 BY THE WITNESS:
- A. I have got it.
- ⁷ BY MS. LUSSON:
- ⁸ Q. Ms. Pearce, do you recognize this to
- 9 be a copy of staff's response to AG data
- request -- AG staff data request 1.04?
- A. Yes, I do.
- Q. And was this response prepared by
- you or under your supervision?
- A. Yes.
- 0. Are the answers reflected therein
- still accurate today?
- A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Now, your response to part A talks
- about increased investment that's estimated to
- occur as a result of the 2013 future test year, do
- you see that?
- A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Does this increased investment
- you're discussing result from the added earnings
- in equity capital that is expected to be recorded
- 4 from the rate increase that is approved and
- implemented around the middle of the year?
- A. Hang on. I'm reading my response.
- ⁷ If you're asking me are the rates in this
- 8 proceeding going to take effect in the middle of
- ⁹ the year? Yes.
- Q. Actually, my question was when you
- referenced increased investment, are you
- discussing the result from added earnings in
- equity capital that would be recorded as a result
- 14 of the rate -- any rate increase that comes as a
- result of this case after the order is issued?
- 16 A. In my response to A, I'm talking
- about the fact that the investment is estimated to
- occur as a result of the 2013 future test year.
- 19 The invested capital tax that reflects an
- increased investment during the 2013 test year
- will be due and paid in accordance with the final
- 22 payment requirements set forth by the Illinois

- Department of Revenue. Specifically, those
- requirements are that Form ICT-4 is due March 15th
- following the end of the reporting year.
- 4 Estimated payments are due on
- March 15th, June 15th, September 15th and December
- ⁶ 15th. Therefore, it is my understanding that the
- ⁷ increased investment related to 2012 will be
- 8 reflected in the estimated payments during 2013 on
- ⁹ the due date set forth above. The first of which
- is March 15th, 2013. The final payment of the
- investment capital tax that is based on 2013
- investment will be reflected when the Form ICT-4
- 13 for 2013 is due March 15th, 2014.
- Q. And that final payment of investment
- capital tax that is based on the 2013 investment I
- think you indicated will become due in March of
- ¹⁷ 2014?
- ¹⁸ A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And then looking at Part E there if
- you can --
- A. Yes, I have it.
- Q. What do you mean by the phrase

- "during the period these rates are in effect"? Is
- that some period beyond the calendar year 2013?
- A. I believe the rates that are set in
- 4 this proceeding will take effect around July 2013
- 5 and they'll remain in effect until another case is
- filed.
- ⁷ Q. So when you reference --
- 8 A. Until -- I'm sorry. Until another
- 9 proceeding is approved and future rates are set.
- Q. Okay. So, in other words, until the
- next rate case is filed?
- A. Yes.
- Q. So when you reference during the
- period these rates are in effect, you're talking
- about that period between the date that the
- 16 Commission order and this case takes effect and
- whenever new rates would take effect as a result
- of a new rate case filing?
- ¹⁹ A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Would you agree that -- in
- looking at Part B of your response --
- A. Yes, I see it.

- Q. -- is it correct that your
- calculation, in fact, reaches beyond 2013 to
- 3 calculate the companies sales volumes or revenues
- 4 to be used in setting rates?
- 5 A. I don't know that I understand the
- question. In my response, I say that I understand
- ⁷ the companies are required to file their invested
- 8 capital tax return on or before March 15 following
- ⁹ the end of the reporting year according to the
- companies response --
- THE COURT REPORTER: I'm sorry.
- What?
- JUDGE TEAGUE: Ms. Pearce, you might
- have to start again. The court reporter --
- THE COURT REPORTER: Everything
- after companies response.
- MR. FEELEY: Just go a little
- slower.
- 19 BY THE WITNESS:
- A. I am reading my response to AG
- 1.04B. My answer was, yes, I understand the
- companies are required to file their invested

- capital tax return on or before March 15th
- following the end of the reporting year.
- ³ According to the companies response, the staff
- DR's BAP 5.03 supplemental attachment 01 the
- 5 companies record their monthly accrual journal
- 6 entries based on the previous years actual
- ⁷ liability, not the projected liability for the
- 8 current year. Also, the tax payments are based on
- ⁹ the previous years actual liability, not the
- projected liability for the current year in
- 11 accordance with Safe Harbor Rules.
- BY MS. LUSSON:
- 13 Q. Thank you. If you know, Ms. Pearce,
- 14 has the staff attempted to reach beyond 2013 to
- calculate the companies savings from debt
- refinancing transactions and a lower post 2012
- cost of long-term debt to be used in setting
- 18 rates?
- A. I don't know.
- Q. Okay. I'd like to ask you a few
- questions about the -- your agreement with
- Mr. Stabile regarding the state income tax rate

- ¹ change issue.
- A. Okay.
- ³ Q. So as I understand your testimony
- 4 you're adopting the methodology approved in Docket
- 5 83-0309 or finding it to be reasonable?
- 6 A. I'm not adopting it -- could you
- ⁷ point to a reference in my response testimony?
- 8 O. Sure. 459. Line 459 page 21.
- 9 A. Okay. Right. My testimony states
- based on my understanding Mr. Stabile's rebuttal
- testimony I find the utilities application of the
- methodology approved in Docket No. 83-0309 to be
- 13 reasonable.
- MS. LUSSON: Mr. Allen, if you could
- show Ms. Pearce the next exhibit which is the
- response to AG 1.05.
- 17 BY THE WITNESS:
- A. I have that.
- 19 BY MS. LUSSON:
- Q. First, let me clarify for the record
- that the last data request, the response --
- 22 staff's response to AG 1.04 should be marked as AG

- 1 Cross Exhibit 19 and this one is -- we'll mark as
- ² AG Cross Exhibit 20.
- 3 (Documents marked as Staff
- Exhibit No.'s 19-20 for
- identification.)
- 6 BY MS. LUSSON:
- ⁷ Q. Ms. Pearce, do you recognize this to
- be staff's response to AG data request 1.05?
- ⁹ A. Yes, I do.
- Q. And was this response prepared by
- you or under your supervision?
- A. Yes.
- Q. And is the answer that is contained
- therein still the same today?
- 15 A. Yes.
- MS. LUSSON: Thank you, Ms. Pearce.
- I have no further questions and I would move for
- the admission of AG Cross Exhibits 19 and 20.
- MR. FEELEY: Can we reserve ruling
- on these until I have a discussion with my client?
- JUDGE DOLAN: Sure. Go off the
- record.

- 1 (Whereupon, a break was taken
- after which the following
- proceedings were had.)
- JUDGE DOLAN: Back on the record.
- MR. FEELEY: Your Honor, staff has
- on objection to AG Cross Exhibit 19 and AG Cross
- ⁷ Exhibit 20 and we have no redirect.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Okay. Then AG Cross
- 9 Exhibit's 19 and 20 will be admitted into the
- record and you're excused, Ms. Pearce. Thank you.
- THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- JUDGE DOLAN: All right. Then at
- this point do we have some exhibits to put in? We
- have no other witnesses.
- MR. O'BRIEN: Yes, your Honor. The
- people would like to move into the record the
- testimonies of Mr. Effron and Mr. Rubin by
- 18 affidavit. Those --
- JUDGE DOLAN: Go ahead.
- MR. O'BRIEN: Great. Thank you.
- The people would like to move into the record AG
- Exhibit 2.0, The Direct Testimony of David J.

- ¹ Effron filed on E-docket November 20th, 2012. AG
- 2 Exhibit 2.1, schedules and attachments of David J.
- Effron filed on E-docket November 20th, 2012.
- 4 (Document marked as AG Exhibit
- No. 2.0 for identification.)
- 6 MR. O'BRIEN: AG Exhibit 5.1
- ⁷ schedules and attachments of David J. Effron both
- 9 public and confidential versions filed on E-docket
- ⁹ January 16th, 2013. AG Exhibit 5.2 schedules and
- attachments of David J. Effron, public and
- confidential versions, filed on E-docket January
- 16th, 2013, and Mr. Effron's affidavit will be
- marked as AG Exhibit 5.3 and that will be filed on
- 14 E-docket this afternoon.
- 15 (Document marked as AG Exhibit
- No. 5.0 for identification.)
- JUDGE DOLAN: Any objections?
- MS. KLYASHEFF: No objections.
- JUDGE DOLAN: All right. Thank you.
- AG Exhibit 2.0 along with AG Exhibit's 2.1
- schedules and attachments will be admitted into
- the record. AG Exhibit 5.0 along with Exhibit 5.1

- public and 5.1 confidential and AG Exhibit 5.2
- public and confidential will be admitted into the
- record and then AG Exhibit 5.3 will be admitted
- into the record. Thank you.
- MR. O'BRIEN: Thank you, your Honor.
- 6 And just to clarify I don't know if I had
- mentioned it or if it was on our exhibit list, but
- 8 Mr. Effron's rebuttal testimony, which is AG
- ⁹ Exhibit 5.0, also consists of a confidential and a
- public version.
- JUDGE DOLAN: 5.0 does?
- MR. O'BRIEN: That's correct.
- JUDGE DOLAN: We'll add that to the
- record that AG Exhibit 5.0 is both a confidential
- and public version. Thank you.
- MR. O'BRIEN: Thank you, your Honor.
- People at this time would also like to move into
- the record AG Exhibit 3.0. The Direct Testimony
- of Scott J. Rubin filed on E-docket November 20th,
- 20 2012. AG Exhibit's 3.1 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6,
- 3.7, 3.8, 3.9 and 3.10 which are schedules and
- 22 attachments to Scott J. Rubin filed on E-docket

- 1 November 20th, 2012.
- 2 (Document marked as AG Exhibit
- No. 3.0 for identification.)
- 4 MR. O'BRIEN: AG Exhibit 6.0
- 5 Rebuttal Testimony of Scott J. Rubin filed on
- 6 E-docket January 16th, 2013. AG Exhibit 6.1, 6.2,
- ⁷ 6.3 and 6.4, which are all schedules and
- 8 attachments of Scott J. Rubin filed on E-docket
- ⁹ January 16th, 2013, and Mr. Rubin's affidavit will
- be marked AG Exhibit 6.5 and that was filed on
- 11 E-docket yesterday February 6th.
- 12 (Document marked as AG Exhibit
- No. 6.0 for identification.)
- JUDGE DOLAN: Any objections?
- MS. KLYASHEFF: No objections.
- JUDGE DOLAN: All right. Hearing
- none, AG Exhibit 3.0 along with AG Exhibit's 3.1
- through 3.10 will be admitted into the record and
- then AG Exhibit 6.0 through 6.4 will be admitted
- into the record and AG Exhibit 6.5 will be
- 21 admitted into the record. Thank you.
- MR. O'BRIEN: Thank you, your Honor.

- MS. LUSSON: Your Honor, I just
- wanted to make one clarification. I referenced it
- yesterday regarding the admission of Mr. Brosch's
- 4 testimony. I think I indicated yesterday that, in
- fact, one of the rebuttal schedules, Mr. Brosch's
- 6 AG Exhibit 4.1, where Peoples Gas included a
- derivative adjustment from Mr. Effron's CWIP
- 8 adjustment, which is -- which included
- 9 confidential numbers. I just had a discussion
- with Ms. Scarsella this morning and she indicated
- that, in fact, those numbers still are proprietary
- and so I would ask that the record reflect that
- both -- we move into admission both the
- proprietary and the public version of Mr. Brosch's
- Schedule 4.1 because I don't think I made that
- designation or that distinction yesterday.
- JUDGE DOLAN: And that's the
- companies understanding?
- MS. SCARSELLA: Yes, your Honor.
- JUDGE DOLAN: It's strictly
- Mr. Brosch's Schedule 4.1?
- MS. LUSSON: Correct. He had no

- 1 propriety information in the actual text of his
- 2 testimony.
- JUDGE DOLAN: So Mr. Brosch's
- 4 Schedule 4.1 will be admitted into the record as
- both a confidential and public version.
- MS. LUSSON: Thank you.
- MS. KLYASHEFF: Your Honor's, with
- 8 respect to Mr. Rubin's testimony which he just
- 9 admitted, in lieu of cross-examination the
- utilities wish to move for the admission of a
- cross exhibit consisting of five data responses to
- company data requests.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Okay.
- MS. KLYASHEFF: And those responses
- would be identified NS PGL Cross Exhibit 15.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Is there objections to
- NS PGL Cross Exhibit 15?
- 18 (Document marked as NS PGL
- Exhibit No. 15 for
- identification.)
- MS. LUSSON: No, your Honor. I had
- a discussion earlier with Ms. Klyasheff and we

- 1 have no objection.
- JUDGE DOLAN: NS PGL Cross Exhibit
- ³ 15 will be admitted into the record.
- 4 MS. SCARSELLA: At this time, your
- ⁵ Honor, Peoples Gas and North Shore would like to
- 6 move into the record the direct and rebuttal
- ⁷ testimony of Thomas L. Puracchio,
- P-U-R-A-C-C-H-I-O. He filed direct testimony
- 9 which is identified as PGL Exhibit 15.0 with
- 10 Attachments 15.1, 15.2, which are confidential and
- public versions, 15.3, which has confidential and
- public versions, 15.4, which has confidential and
- public versions, and 15.5 and rebuttal testimony
- which is identified as NS PGL 35.0 and his
- affidavit was filed yesterday and is identified as
- ¹⁶ NS PGL 35.1.
- 17 (Document marked as NS PGL
- Exhibit No. 35.0 for
- identification.)
- JUDGE DOLAN: Any objections? Okay.
- Then PGL Exhibit 15.0 along with PGL Exhibit 15.1
- will be admitted into the record. PGL Exhibit's

- 1 15.2 through 15.4, both confidential and public
- versions, will be admitted into the record and PGL
- Exhibit 15.5 will be admitted into the record
- 4 along with NS PGL Exhibit 35.0 will be admitted
- ⁵ into the record.
- MS. SCARSELLA: And, finally, your
- ⁷ Honor, yesterday I believe Mr. Moul's testimony
- was moved into the record. His affidavit was
- ⁹ filed yesterday and is identified as NS PGL
- ¹⁰ Exhibit 39.1.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Any objections? Okay.
- NS PGL 39.1 will be admitted into the record.
- MS. SCARSELLA: And I apologize. I
- don't know if you moved Mr. Puracchio's affidavit
- which was identified as NS PGL Exhibit 35.1.
- JUDGE DOLAN: You're right. I
- didn't. Mr. Puracchio's -- NS PGL Exhibit 35.1
- will also be admitted into the record. Do we have
- ¹⁹ any --
- MS. PALMER: Yes, staff has a few
- 21 affidavits to move in. I'm going to start. My
- colleagues Jessica Cardoni and Nicole Luckey are

- going to follow up. Staff would like to move for
- admission into the record the affidavit in support
- of staff witnesses Diana Hathhorn, Alicia Allen
- 4 and Rochelle Phillips previously filed on
- 5 E-docket.
- The affidavit of Diana Hathhorn
- which has been marked as Staff Exhibit 11.1 was
- filed on E-docket on February 4th, 2013. This
- ⁹ affidavit supports a direct testimony which was
- marked as Staff Exhibit 1.0 and was filed on
- November 20th, 2012, which includes Schedules 1.01
- through 1.07N and P respectfully. This affidavit
- also supports the rebuttal testimony which was
- marked as Staff Exhibit 11.0 and was filed on
- January the 16th, 2013, which includes Schedules
- 16 11.1 through 11.07N and P respectfully. The
- affidavit of Alicia Allen which has been marked as
- 18 Staff Exhibit --
- 19 (Documents marked as Staff
- 20 Exhibit No.'s 1.0 and 11.0 for
- identification.)
- JUDGE DOLAN: Hold on.

- MS. PALMER: You want one at a time,
- Judge? I apologize.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Any objections to
- 4 Ms. Hathhorn's testimony?
- MS. SCARSELLA: No, your Honor.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Then Staff Exhibit 1.0
- along with Schedules 1.01N and P through 1.07N and
- P will be admitted into the record. Staff Exhibit
- 9 11.0 along with Schedules 11.01N and P through
- 10 11.07N and P will be admitted into the record
- along with Staff Exhibit 11.1.
- MS. PALMER: The affidavit of Alicia
- 13 Allen, which was been marked as Staff Exhibit 9.1
- and was filed on E-docket February 4th, 2013.
- This affidavit supports the direct testimony,
- which was marked as Staff Exhibit 9.0 and was
- filed on November 20th, 2012, with no attachment
- or schedules.
- 19 (Document marked as Staff
- Exhibit No. 9.0 for
- identification.)
- JUDGE DOLAN: Any objections?

- MS. SCARSELLA: No, your Honor.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Staff Exhibit's 9.0
- and 9.1 will be admitted into the record.
- MS. PALMER: The affidavit of
- 5 Rochelle Phillips, which has been marked as Staff
- 6 Exhibit 22.1 and was filed on E-docket on February
- ⁷ 4th, 2013. This affidavit supports the rebuttal
- 8 testimony, which was marked as Staff Exhibit 22.0
- 9 and was filed on January 16th, 2013, with no
- 10 attachments or schedules.
- 11 (Document marked as Staff
- Exhibit No. 22.0 for
- identification.)
- JUDGE DOLAN: Any objections?
- MS. SCARSELLA: No, your Honor.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Then Staff Exhibit's
- 22.0 and the 22.1 will be admitted into the
- 18 record.
- MS. CARDONI: Next, staff would move
- for the admission into evidence of what has been
- marked as Staff 19.0. The rebuttal testimony of
- Darin Burk and Attachments 1, 2 and 3. We'd like

- this to be admitted via affidavit, which is Staff
- ² Exhibit No. 19.1.
- 3 (Document marked as Staff
- Exhibit No. 19.0 for
- identification.)
- JUDGE DOLAN: Any objections?
- MS. SCARSELLA: No, your Honor.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Staff Exhibit 19.0
- 9 along with Attachments 1, 2 and 3 along with Staff
- Exhibit 19.1 will be admitted into the record.
- MS. CARDONI: Thank you. Next,
- staff would move for the admission into evidence
- 13 Staff Exhibit 21.0, both public and confidential
- versions. This is the rebuttal testimony of David
- Sackett and includes Attachments A through P.
- We'd like to admit this via affidavit which is
- identified as Staff Exhibit No. 21.1.
- 18 (Document marked as Staff
- Exhibit No. 21.0 for
- identification.)
- JUDGE DOLAN: Any objections?
- MS. SCARSELLA: No, your Honor.

- JUDGE DOLAN: Staff Exhibit 21.0,
- public and confidential, along with Attachments A
- through P and Staff Exhibit 21.1 will be admitted
- 4 into the record.
- MS. LUCKEY: Staff moves for
- 6 admission into evidence the direct testimony of
- 7 Christopher L. Boggs, ICC Staff Exhibit 7.0, which
- 8 had no schedules or attachments and was filed on
- ⁹ E-docket on November 20th, 2012, and this is
- supported by ICC Staff Exhibit 7.1, the affidavit
- of Christopher L. Boggs, which was filed on
- E-docket on February 4th, 2013.
- 13 (Document marked as Staff
- Exhibit No. 7.0 for
- identification.)
- JUDGE DOLAN: Any objections?
- MS. SCARSELLA: No, your Honor.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Okay. Then Staff
- Exhibit 7.0 and 7.1 will be admitted into the
- record. That's it for today? Okay. Are we still
- estimating about five hours tomorrow it looks
- like?

1	MS. SCARSELLA: Yes.
2	JUDGE DOLAN: Okay. I still think
3	we probably is everyone okay starting at 10:00
4	again?
5	MS. LUSSON: Yes.
6	JUDGE DOLAN: Okay. We're entered
7	and continued until 10:00 a.m. tomorrow. Thank
8	you.
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